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ANNUAL MINUTES

OF THE

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HELD AT

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To the Members and Friends of the M. E. Church:

Dear Brethren—We have selected, from the proceedings of our late Conference, such things as in their results will, we think, if properly considered, tend to give a new interest and improved state in the church. We especially ask your attention—

1st. To the allowance and receipts of Ministers, on page 11th;

2d. To the missionary and other collections, on page 11th;

3d. *To the Report of the Committee on Finance;*

4th. *To the Resolutions of Conference on Temperance* and other subjects, page 16th; and

5th. To the Sabbath School Statistics, page 11th.

Yours very truly.

S. D. SIMONDS,
W. P. JUDD,
D. C. JACOKES,
} Committee of Publication.

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MINUTES.

The Michigan Annual Conference commenced its Session for 1849 in the village of Adrian, Sept. 5th, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Bishop L. L. HAMLINE, President, and opened the Conference by reading the 61st chap. of Isa., and calling on several brethren in turn to lead in prayer.

The names of the Conference were then called by brother E. H. Pilcher, the Secretary for last year. About ninety preachers were present. Rev. E. H. Pilcher was chosen Secretary for this year also.

The Conference then proceeded to appoint the following

COMMITTEES:

1. *Committee on Public Worship*—Brothers Geo. Smith, L. Chatfield and J. V. Watson.

2. *Stewards*—Brethren F. B. Bangs, J. F. Davidson and M. B. Camburn.

3. *Committee on Necessitous Cases*—L. D. Price, D. Burns and S. Reed.

4. *On Memoirs*—E. McClure, R. Sapp and W. H. Collins.

5. *On Missions*—J. Shaw, L. Chatfield, W. H. Collins, A. M. Fitch, Wm. Sprague, G. Bradley and J. H. Pitezel.

6. *On Periodicals*—Brothers King and Blanchard.

7. *On Education*—J. A. Baughman, C. T. Hinman, S. D. Simonds, E. McClure and J. V. Watson.

8. *On Bible Cause*—Brothers Baughman, S. Steel and H. Morgan.

9. *On Tract Cause*—S. D. Simonds.

10. *On Temperance*—Brothers Simonds, Burns and Hall.

11. *On Sabbath Schools*—N. Abbott, W. F. Cowles and C. A. Bruce.

12. *Post Offices*—I. Cogshall.

13. *On Overture of the Congregational Association of the State, from Rev. Mr. Foster*—Brothers Baughman, S. Steel and H. Morgan.

14. *On the Sanctity of the Sabbath*—Brothers J. F. Davidson, W. F. Cowles and S. Reed.

The Conference elected the following *local* preachers to Elders' Orders:—Benj. Hedger, James Isman Russell, John J. Andridge, John Miller, Milo Cory, Wm. Rhodes and Robert Barclay—7.

The following *local* preachers were elected to Deacons' Orders:—Ransom R. Goodale, Daniel S. Freeman and Welcome W. Johnson—3.

QUEST. 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

ANS. John M. Arnold, Samuel Clements, Amos Wakefield, James Somerville, Samuel P. Lee, Rufus C. Crane, Ransom R. Goodale, Erastus D. Young, Isaac Taylor, Samuel Hendrickson—10.

QUEST. 2. *Who remain on trial?*

ANS. Joseph J. Perry, G. Bignell, F. Foot, F. B. Prichard, Curtis Mosher, W. Blades, Peter C. Johnson, James S. Smart, Wm. Glass, Sylvester Calkins, Geo. W. Hoag, Peter Marksman and G. N. Belknap.

QUEST. 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

ANS. Nathan Mount, E. W. Borden, Noah Fassett, Benj. F. Doughty, Michael W. Stambaugh, Wm. Benson, Judson D. Collins.

QUEST. 4. *Who are the Deacons?**

ANS. Nathan Mount,* E. W. Borden,* Noah Fassett,* Benj. F. Doughty,* M. W. Stambaugh, Wm. Benson,* Francis Glass, P. G Buchanan, N. Abbott, A. J. Eldred, Orrin Whitmore, H. N. Brown, J. S. Sutton, J. W. Holt, J Kahbeeje, Wm. Kelly and R. Dubois.

QUEST. 5. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

ANS. Andrew Bell, Thomas H. Jacokes, Manasseh Hickey, Robert Bird, Alex. Campbell, H. Day, S. A. Osborn, Thomas Seeley and Samuel Bessey.

QUEST. 6. *Who have located this year?*

ANS. R. R. Richards, Wm. Sprague, I. W. Donelson, C. K. Erkenbrack, J. K. Gillett, Peter Sabin, Daniel Bush and J. E. Parker.

QUEST. 7. *Who are the supernumerary preachers?*

ANS. P. G. Buchanan.

QUEST. 8. *Who are the superannuated preachers?*

* Those with a * ordained this year.

Ans. L. Grant, Rob't Triggs, Wm. Todd, L. D. Whitney, Benj. Sabin, Alvin Billings, James V. Watson, John Gray, W. C. Comfort and E. Crane.

Quest. 9. *Who have been expelled from the Connection this year?*

Ans. Thomas J. Champion.

Quest. 10. *Who have withdrawn from the Connection this year?*

Ans. Reuben Reynolds.

Quest. 11. *Were all the preachers' characters examined?*

Ans. This was strictly attended to, by calling over their names before the Conference.

Quest. 12. *Who have died this year?*

Ans. G. J. Shirtliff and Josiah Brakeman.*

Quest. 13. *What numbers are in Society?*

(See 1st Table.)

Quest. 14. *What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers; and to make up the deficiency of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?*

Ans. $8278,53.. (See 2d Table.)

[Of this great deficiency, $5248,00 has occurred in the regular work. How it has occurred may be seen from the 2d Table, where will also be found the credits given to the circuits which contributed to meet this deficiency.]

*See the concluding part of the Minutes.

PLACES.	Meeting Houses.	Parsonages.	Members.	On trial.	Local Preachers.	Bible Cause.	Missionary Cause.	SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS									Conversions.
								Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes.	Scholars in Infant Schools.	Expenses of Schools this year	Raised for benevolent purposes	S. S. Advocates taken.	
DETROIT DISTRICT.																	
Detroit 1st Church,	1		190	11	2	25 25	96 34	1	43	240	290			$24 00	$63 34	100	
,, 2d Church,	1	1	161	7	2	21 45	70 69	4	35	240	350	2	35	20 00	53 72	50	2
Birmingham, -	3		183	15	2	3 35	10 50	1	7	30	100			15 00		21	
Pontiac, - -	1		105	8		20 00	21 00	1	16	56	200			10 00		20	
Utica, - -	2		347	12	1		22 59	7	52	381	600	2		50 00			
Mt. Clemens, -	1		70	12		9 32	7 50	2	26	100	260			22 00		21	8
Richmond, - -			300		4												
St. Clair, - -	2		170	12		20 67		1	24	120	400	1					2
Lexington, - -			77		1			1	15	95	300			14 00			
Romeo, - -	1	1	129			17 31	16 41	1	12	80	260	2		10 00	2 60		
Almonte, - -	1		179	12		4 50	13 37	5	34	200	350	2		30 00		10	
Lapeer, - -	2		236	10	2	10 50		2	19	65	135	5				20	
Total on Det. District,	15	2	2147	99	14	131 35	258 40	26	283	1607	3345	14	35	195 00	119 66	242	12
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.																	
Ann Arbor, -	1	1	238	21	3	10 97		1	24	200	255	1		20 00	12 00		12
Ypsilanti, - -	1		150	6		25 00	12 75	1	10	80	500	1					
Plymouth, - -	3	1	191	24	5		27 00	4	49	203	490	1		16 00	27 16		
Northville, - -	1		103	3	2	15 00	5 25	2	20	150	200	1		6 50	1 25	30	
Farmington, -	3		266	39	3		10 74	5	38	238	664	3	18	29 23		65	

Millford, - -	2		301	10	4			3 20	4	15	120	425	1						
Livingston, - -		1	256	39	7			6 82	6	58	198	908		6	$54 19	$5 32			
Ingham, - -			211	51	2				10	68	275	650							3
Dexter, - -	1	1	107		1	20	12												
Manchester, -	2	2	365	10	4			10 21	5	38	125	281			8 65	2 21			
Saline, - -	2	1	180	7	2	6	25	1 18	3	25	150	400	2	12					3
Total on Ann Arb. Dis.	16	7	2368	210	33	82	34	77 15	39	345	1729	4783	10	36	216 57	35 84	95	18	
MARSHALL DISTRICT.																			
Marshall, - -	1		140	12	3	25	00	41 97	1	20	90	300	1	20	10 00	10 00	40		
Albion, - -	1	1	144		3	11	65	3 36	1	12	75	75	1	12					
South Albion, -	3	1	431	17	5	17	54	11 06	6	62	195	270			25 00				
Jackson, - -			100	3	1	12	50		3	20	140	240	1	40	25 00				3
Grass Lake, -	2		173	13	1			4 87	2	18	50	100					3		
Tompkins, - -	2		263	94	4			17 13	9	62	258	561	3	4	14 28		30	8	
Eaton, - -			255	31	6	6	25	20 00	6		125	500					20		
Litchfield, - -	3	1	366	29	5	2	56	30 39		55	197	719	1		5 00	3 00			
Coldwater, - -	1		120	6	1	21	50	10 50	1	12	100	140	1	10	12 00		12		
Gilead, - -			103	4				1 71											
Girard, - -	1		130		1														
Burlington, - -	2		367	33	6			17 12	10	102	367	937	1						
Battle Creek -	1		219	20	2	11	18	29 15	1	14	60	160	1		16 00				
Nottaway Miss. (Ind.)		2	60	15					2	3	18								
Total on Marshall Dist.	17	7	2871	277	38	108	18	187 26	40	36	1625	3902	9	86	97 28	13 00	102	11	

PLACES.	Meeting Houses.	Parsonages.	Members.	On trial.	Local Preachers.	Bible Cause.	Missionary Cause.	SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS. Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes.	Scholars in Infant Classes.	Expenses of Schools this year.	Raised for benevolent purposes	S. S. Advocates taken.	Conversions.
MONROE DISTRICT.																	
Monroe, - -	1	1	91	11	1		32 00										
Dearbonville, -	4		319	59	1		44 73	9	100	478	1801	1		53 68	1 21	40	30
Trenton, - -	1		57	3	2	6 50		3	20	100	250	1		15 00			
Oakville, - -	1	1	320	50	3		5 00	6	58	270	625					42	
Dundee, - -	2		256		2												
Tecumseh, - -	4	1	323	12	5			3	27	118	260	1		5 00	50		
Adrian, - -	1	1	260	11	2	38 00	32 35	1	17	145	300	2	60	19 00	3 37	24	2
Rome, - -	1	1	205	16	3	3 00	6 00	5	55	233	562		20				
Hillsdale, - -	1		167	3	3												
Hudson, - -	1		240	5	2		4 00	2	12	100	250						
Medina, - -	1	1	256	53	2		26 14	10	49	248	798			14 00	55	43	
Palmyra - -	2		100	7	4		8 00	3	24	120	400		3		4 00		3
Total on Monroe Dist.	20	6	2594	227	30	47 50	158 22	42	362	1812	5284	5	83	106 68	9 63	149	35
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.																	
Kalamazoo, - -	1	1	120	55	2	18 25	1 75	1	17	50	150			3 00			
Climax, - -	2		130	34	1	3 50		3	26	90	300						
Schoolcraft, -	1		85	7	1												
Centreville, - -	4		374	12	7	28 00	94 50	7	74	465	1078	7	40	10 00		20	6
White Pigeon, -	3		180	10	4		4 30	1	10	40	150				4 79		

Edwardsburg, -	2	1	261	13	1	11 50	11 25	2	12	80	200	1	25	10 75				2	
Niles, - -	1	1	85	2		16 16	6 56	1	20	100	200	2		7 20					
Berrien, - -	2		335	19	9	11 05	28 00	5	43	180	640	1		18 00					
St. Joseph - -			147	55	3		4 00												
Pawpaw, - -	2		153	24	2	5 72	6 24	2	20	90	130						20		
Allegan, - -	3	1	250	25	4		35 00	15	94	254	886	2		29 53	10 00				
Hastings, - -		1	127	16	1		3 00	1	55	130	270	2		3 25	3 25		21		
Tot. on Kalamazoo Dis.	21	5	2247	272	35	89 18	194 60	38	372	1479	4004	15	65	81 73	18 04		61	8	
GRAND RIVER DIST.																			
Grand Rapids, -	1		125																
Paris, - -			117	12			3 80	2	9	46	160								
Talmage, - -			104	28	2		5 00	7	41	103	580			3 00					
Flat River, - -		1	220	10	3		8 50	6	30	180	290			10 00					
Lyons, - -			235	45	3		92 00	1	32	164	532	2		35 50			31		
Mapleton, - -		1	187	15	3		30 70												
Lansing, - -			70		1	38 50								20 00					
Bennington, -		1	106	4	1	2 05	8 00	2	5	40	80	1		6 00			12	1	
Shiawassee, -			128	15	1	4 31	6 75	2	14	60	400						20		
Fentonville, -			252	27	4	7 50	8 00	3	28	135	381	1	4	2 20	45 00				
Oxford, - -	3		248	20	5	3 99	3 90	5	35	152	364								
Flint, - -	1	1	88	5	2	10 00	11 78	2	15	94	75			4 00			32		
Genesee, - -	1		274	44	2	5 21	95 00	7	48	171	600			27 29					
Saginaw, - -			19	17		9 00		2	18	78	280			23 56					
Flint River Ind. Miss.	2	3	400		4			3	13	125								9	
2																			
Tot. on Gr'd River Dis.	8	7	2554	225	31	81 06	273 43	42	291	1388	3742	4	4	151 55	45 00		95	10	

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INDIAN MISS. DISTRICT.																	
Saut Ste. Marie, -	1	1	50				35 00										
Ke-wa-wenon, -	1		44	9	1		10 00										
Eagle River Mission,		1	13		1		5 54										
Fon du Lac -	1	1	10														
Sandy Lake, -	1		7	9													
Tot. on Ind. Miss. Dist.	4	4	154	18	2		50 54										
RECAPITULATION.																	
Detroit District,	12	2	2147	99	13	147 83	258 40	26	292	1632	3345	10	35	210 00	129 66	242	12
Ann Arbor "	16	7	2368	210	33	82 34	77 15	39	345	1729	4783	10	36	216 57	35 84	95	18
Marshall "	17	7	2871	277	38	108 18	187 26	40	368	1625	3902	9	86	97 28	13 00	102	11
Monroe "	20	6	2594	227	30	47 50	158 22	42	362	1812	5284	5	83	106 68	9 63	149	35
Kalamazoo "	21	5	2247	272	35	89 18	194 60	35	372	1479	4004	15	65	81 73	18 04	61	8
Grand River "	8	7	2554	225	31	81 06	273 43	42	291	1588	3742	4	4	151 55	45 80	95	10
Indian Mission "	4	4	124	18	2		*133 54										
Total in Conference,†	98	38	14605	1428	182	556 09	1272 60										

* Sundry Missionary Collections.—† Of these, 563 are Indians in full connection; 33 are Indian members on trial.

Stations and Circuits.	Preachers.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficiencies.	Fifth Collection.
Detroit District,	J. Shaw, P. E.	$248	$160	$88	$
Detroit 1st Ch.,	S. D. Simonds,	200	200		10 00
" 2d "	H. Morgan,	216	216		6 43
Birmingham,	Wm. E. Bigelow,	216	216		4 23
Pontiac,	Wm. F. Cowles,	216	216		5 00
Utica,	H. Law,	216	216		
"	J. Jennings,	216	216		
Mt. Clemens,	J. Russell,	216	216		
Richmond,	G. J. Shirtliff,	272		272	
St. Clair,	R. C. Crawford,	200	150	50	
"	J. J. Perry,	200	150	50	
Lexington,	H. N. Brown,	200	200		
Romeo,	D. Thomas,	248	204	44	8 25
"	L. D. Price,	200		200	
Almont,	T. Seeley,	200	200		
Lapeer,	J. Cogshall,	216	175	41	
Ag't of A. B. Soc'y,	J. A. Baughman.	200	200		
Total,		$3680	$2935	$745	$32 91
Ann Arbor District,	J. Brakeman, P.E.	288	200	88	
Ann Arbor,	R. Sapp,	232	232		1 50
Ypsilanti,	G. Taylor,	232	232		
Plymouth,	D. Burns,	200	113	87	
"	A. Minnis,	216	130	86	
Northville,	W. H. Collins,	248	200	48	3 97
Farmington,	T. Wakelan,	216	216		1 00
"	D. R. Kellogg,	200	56	144	
Millford,	M.W. Stambaugh	256	40	216	3 05
"	S. Calkins.	100	16	84	
Livingston,	F. W. Warren,	200	176	24	
	N. Fassett,	100	88	12	
Ingham,	I. W. Donaldson,	200	60	140	
"	J. S. Smart,	100	30	70	
Dexter,	J. K. Gillett,	200	200		
Manchester,	W. Mothersell,	274	274		1 75
"	S. Bessey,	224	104	120	
Saline,	W. P. Judd,	280	280		
University,	D. D. Whedon,	248	248		
Total,		$4014	$2895	$1119	$11 31
Marshall District,	A. M. Fitch, P.E.	248	248		
Marshall,	E. McClure,	256	256		4 82
Albion,	J. F. Davidson,	240	240		3 64

Stations and Circuits.	Preachers.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficiencies.	Fifth Collection.
South Albion,	R. Pengelley,	$200	115	85	5 41
" "	T. H. Jacokes,	200	115	85	
Jackson,	F. Gage,	200	200		
Grass Lake,	T. C. Gardner,	248	50	198	
" "	P. G. Buchanan,	100	25	75	
Tompkins,	R. C. Meek,	216		216	
"	F. Root,	100	100		3 12
Eaton,	I. F. Collins,	200	146	54	
Litchfield,	H. Penfield,	232	159	73	56
Coldwater,	J. E. Parker,	200	200		
Gilead,	N. Mount,	232	105	127	86
Girard,	D. C. Jacokes,	200	200		4 30
Burlington,	I. Bennett.	256	179	77	
"	J. S. Sutton,	100	70	30	
Battle Creek,	E. H. Pilcher,	248	248		5 00
Notteway Mission,	M. Hickey,	100	100		
W. T. at Albion,	C. T. Hinman,	216	216		
" "	N. Abbott,	116	116		
" Agent,	W. H. Brockway,	240	240		
China Mission,	J. D. Collins,	100	100		
Total,		$4448	3428	$1020	$27 71
Monroe District,	L. Chatfield, P.E.	200	125	75	
Monroe,	E. Crane,	232	232		
Dearbonville,	I. C. Abbott,	200	200		
"	F. B. Prichard,	200	200		
Trenton,	R. Bird,	100	100		
Oakville,	P. Sabin,	224	224		
"	W. Bourdon,	248	143	105	
Dundee,	R. Dubois,	200	200		
Tecumseh,	D. Bush,	248	248		
"	C. A. Bruce,	248	248		
Adrian,	G. Smith,	240	240		
Rome,	E. Steel,	156	110	46	
"	W. Glass,	100	45	55	
Hillsdale,	W. Kelley,	200	30	170	
Hudson,	H. Worthington.	232	232		
Medina,	D. A. Curtis,	100	90	10	
"	R. McConnell,	200	200		
Palmyra,	S. C. Stringham,	216	216		
Total,		$3544	$3083	$401	
Kalamazoo District,	W. Sprague, P.E.	275	200	75	

Stations and Circuits.	Preachers.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficiencies.	Fifth Collection.
Kalamazoo,	J Blanchard,	216	216		
Climax,	B L Farnsworth,	232	60	172	
Schoolcraft,	H J Eldred,	200	200		
Centreville,	S Steel,	275	180	95	
"	W E Tappin,	100	100		
White Pigeon,	T H Osborn,	248	100	148	
Edwardsburg,	A C Shaw,	200	200		
"	C K Erkenbrack,	100	100		
Niles,	F B Bangs,	232	232		
Berrien,	G Kings,	200	200		
St. Joseph,	A Campbell,	100	72	28	
Paw Paw,	H Hall,	200	176	24	
Allegan,	C Mosher,	272	272		
"	B F Doughty,	100	100		
Hastings,	V G Boyngton,	100	68	32	
Total,		$3050	$2476	$574	
Grand River Dist.	G Bradley, P. E.	216	125	11	
Grand Rapids,	R Reynolds,	248	248		
Paris,	E Westlake,	216	100	116	
Talmage,	E Bignell,	216	112	104	
Flat River,	T B Granger,	216	130	86	
Lyons,	S C Woodward,	200	90	110	
"	G M Belknapp,	232	100	132	
Mapleton,	G W Hoag,	200	120	80	
"	F Glass,	100	58	42	
Lansing,	R R Richards,	150	150		
Bennington,	F A Blades,	200	120	80	
Shiawassee,	A Allen,	100	54	46	
"	W Benson,	200	100	100	
Fentonville,	W Blades,	200	200		
Oxford,	F Britton,	256	256		
"	H M Roberts,	256		256	
Flint,	M B Camburn,	100	100		
Genesee,	S. Reed,	216	216		2 25
"	O Whitmore,	100	100		
Saginaw,	A Bell,	200	114	86	
Flint River Mission,	L F Harris,	248	248		
"	G W Brown,	216	216		
"	J Cah-beeje,	116	116		
Total,		$4402	$3073	$1329	$225

Stations and Circuits.	Preachers.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficiencies.	Fifth Collection.
Indian Mission Dis.	J H Pitzell, P E,	$240	240		
Saut Ste. Marie,	J O Johnston,	216	216		
" "	P Marksman,	200	200		
Ke-wa-wenon,	N Barnum,	200	200		
Eagle River,	E H Day,	232	232		
Fondulac,	J W Holt,	200	200		
"	J Johnson,	232	232		Con col
Sandy Lake,	S Spates,	216	217		$16 00
Total,		$1736	$1736		$97 88
Whole am't on all the Districts,		$24874	$19626	$5248	113 88
Superanuated,	L Grant,	248			
do	R Triggs,	200			
do	W Todd,	200			
do	L D Whitney,	248			
do	B Sabine,	248			
do	A Billings,	224			
do	J V Watson,	256			
do	J Erkenbrack,	200			
do	J Gray,	264			
do	Wm Taylor,	216			
do	W C Comfort,	216			
do	Mrs C Fox,	100			
do	Mrs S Ruark,	100			
do	Mrs Chaplin,	100			
do	Mrs Staples,	148			
Total,		$2968			

QUEST. 15. *What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

ANS. $478 88, viz.:

From Fifth Collections,	$113 88
" Book Concern,	300 00
" Chartered Fund,	65 00
	$478 88

This amount has been applied as follows:

To Bishop Hedding,	$11 21	Amount brought up,	$240 37
" " Waugh,	11 21	" A. Billings,	29 12
" " Morris,	11 21	" J. V. Watson,	33 28
" " Hamline,	11 21	" J. Erkenbrack,	26 00
" " Janes,	14 24	" J. Gray,	34 32
" Mrs. Roberts,	3 45	" W. Taylor,	28 08
" G. Shirtliff,	35 36	" W. C. Comfort,	28 08
" L. D. Price,	26 00	" Mrs. C. Fox,	13 00
" L. Grant,	32 24	" S. S. Ruark,	13 00
" R. Triggs,	26 00	" S. A. Chaplin,	13 00
" W. Todd,	26 00	" S. A. Staples,	19 24
" L. D. Whitney,	32 24	Paid for Stationery,	1 39
Carried up,	$240 37	Total disbursed,	$478 88

AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR NECESSITOUS CASES:

Lyons,	7 60
Saline,	5 00
Ypsilanti,	30 00
Rome,	7 12
Livingston,	5 31
Plymouth,	9 12
Genesee,	35 00
Flint,	22 50
Milford,	7 72
Manchester,	27 05
Ann Arbor,	12 25
Dexter,	2 37
Oxford,	6 60
Ingham,	5 00
	$173 39

Paid out as follows:

To Widow Brakeman,	$100 52
" " Harris,	57 50
" " Shirtliff,	15 32
Amount	$173 34

QUEST. 16. *What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday School books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its Auxiliaries?*

Ans. For Missions, $1272 60; American Bible Society. $556 09.

(See 1st Table.)

Quest. 17. *Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

Detroit District.

James Shaw, P. E.

Detroit—1st Church—*S. D. Symonds.*
2d Church—*George Taylor.*
Lafayette street (Mission), Joseph J. Perry.
Birmingham—*Hiram Law.*
Pontiac—L. D. Price.
Utica—*Joseph Jennings.* One to be supplied.
Port Huron—*Wm. Taylor.*
Mt. Clemens—*Seth Reed.*
New Haven—To be supplied.
Richmond—Sylvester Calkins.
St. Clair—*H. Worthington.*
Romeo—*W. E. Bigelow.*
Lakeville—H. N. Brown.
Lexington—Wm. Glass
Almont—*Thomas Seeley.*
Lapeer—*R. C. Crawford.*
Hadley—F. B. Prichard.
J. A. Baughman, Agent of American Bible Society.

Ann Arbor District.

W. H. Collins, P. E.

Ann Arbor—*Geo. Smith.*
Ypsilanti—*W. F. Cowles.*
Plymouth — *David Burns, F. Britton,* P. G. Buchanan, Supernumerary.
Northville—*D. C. Jacokes.*
Farmington—*F. Warren.* One to be supplied.
Milford—*Thomas Wakelin.* One to be supplied.
Livingston—*Isaac F. Collins.* One to be supplied.
Ingham—*Alfred Allen.* One to be supplied.
Dexter—Alex. Campbell.
Manchester— *I. C. Abbott,* Noah Fassett.
Saline—M. W. Stambough,
D. D. Whedon, Professor in University of Michigan.
J. D. Collins, Missionary to China.

Marshall District.

A. M. Fitch, P. E.

Marshall—*E. McClure.*
Albion—*J. F. Davidson.*
South Albion—*I. Coggshall, W. Kelley.*
Jackson—*F. Gage.*
Grass Lake—*R. Pengelley.* One to be supplied.
Tompkins—*Sam'l Bessey.* One to be supplied.
Eaton—A. Wakefield.
Litchfield—*I. Bennett, J.* M. Arnold.
Coldwater—*Peter Sharp.*
Girard—*H. Pennfield.*
Gilead—To be supplied.
Burlington—*T. H. Jacokes,* F. S. Root.
Battle Creek—*O. Mason.*
Nottaway Ind. Miss.—*M. Hickey.*
C. T. Hinman, Principal of Wes. Sem. at Albion; N. Abbott, Professor.
W. H. Brockway & W. P. Judd, Agents for Albion Seminary.

Monroe District.

L. Chatfield, P. E.

Monroe—*H. Morgan.*
Dearbonville—*W. Mothersill, R. Bird.*
Trenton—J. P. Smart.
Oakville—*E. W. Borden.* One to be supplied.
Dundee—*Robert Dubois,* S. Hendrickson.
Tecumseh—*A. C. Shaw, C. A. Bruce.*
Adrian—*T. C. Gardner.*

Rome—N. Mount. One to be supplied.
Hillsdale—*H. M. Roberts.*
South Hillsdale—*R. McConnell.*
Hudson—*E. Steel,* I. Taylor.
Medina—*D. A. Curtiss.* One to be supplied.
Palmyra—*S. C. Stringham.*

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

F. B. Bangs, P. E.

Kalamazoo—*E. H. Pilcher.*
Climax—*C. Moshure.*
Schoolcraft—Samuel Clements.
Centreville—*S. A. Osborn,* S. P. Lee.
White Pigeon—*J. Blanchard.*
Edwardsburg—*J. Erkenbrack,* V. G. Boynton.
Niles—*Salmon Steel.*
Berrien—*H. Hall,* B. F. Doughty.
St. Joseph—*George King.*
Paw Paw—J. S. Sutton. One to be supplied.
Allegan—A. J. Eldred. One to be supplied.
Hastings—Ransom Goodale.

GRAND RIVER DISTRICT.

George Bradley, P. E.

Grand Rapids—J. Summerville.
Paris—George Bignall.
Talmadge—To be supplied.
Flat River—*Eli Westlake.*
Lyons—*S. C. Woodard.* One to be supplied.
Rochester—Wm. Benson. One to be supplied.
Lansing—*R. Sapp.*
Bennington—*F. A. Blades,* F. Glass.
Shiawasse—Orrin Whitmore. One to be supplied.
Fentonville—*Wm. Blades,* G. N. Belknapp.
Oxford—*F. B. Granger,* G. W. Hoag.
Flint—*M. B. Camburn.*
Genesee—*David Thomas.* One to be supplied.
Saginaw—*A. Bell.*
Kazier Miss.—E. D. Young, John Kah-beeje.
Janesville (Ind. Miss.)—*G. W. Brown.*

INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT.

J. H. Pitezel, P. E.

Saut Ste. Marie—P. O. Johnson, P. Marksman.
Ke-wa-wenon—*Nelson Barnum,* R. Crane.
Eagle River—*E. H. Day.*
Sandy Lake—*S. Spates.*
Fon du Lac and Mill Lac—*J. W. Holt.*

☞ The names of the Elders are in Italics.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The habitual and general lack of an adequate support of the ministry, must be regarded as a very serious evil, and one which has a tendency to secularize or embarrass them in their work, and thereby limit their influence and hinder their usefulness. This has been a reproach to our denomination for many years, and to an extent perhaps far beyond that of any other evangelical church in this country. It has retarded our progress; it has caused many hearts to bleed, and given rise to much poverty, privation and suffering within the bounds of our own Conference. The intelligent and pious among the membership acknowledge it to be an evil of great magnitude, because, in addition to the pecuniary embarrassment, it involves also the want of a great moral principle—a sense of moral obligation and sacred religious duty to support the ministers regularly appointed to their work. It is a very common remark, that Methodist ministers have the hardest work and the poorest pay of any others; and this is true. Ever since the organization of the Michigan Conference, the history of our finances will show an aggregate amount of loss in this respect, which is truly startling and appalling. An examination of the Conference records will show that since 1840 there has been an annual average deficiency of about $8,000, which, in the nine years, make up a total deficiency of $72,000. Only think of it—a loss of $72,000 within the past nine years! Who can depict, or even imagine, the suffering endured by ministers and their families within that time, through the loss of such a large portion of their salaries? Who can tell, until it is seen in the light of heaven, how much more good they might have accomplished, if that amount had been divided among them according to their claim?

Now this ought not so to be. While our ministers are willing to

live as the people live, and suffer with them as they suffer, it is believed, nevertheless, that nine-tenths of our circuits and stations are abundantly able to give their preachers a competent support. But where the disposition to do so is wanting, and the moral obligation to support the ministry is not acknowledged, so greatly have the preachers suffered, that scores of them have felt it necessary to locate and leave their work, just when their age and experience best qualified them for the greater usefulness. Hence the work that required men of experience has from necessity been committed to youth and inexperience, and in this way it has suffered much. Some ministers have for a few years drawn upon their own private resources, and thus kept themselves and families comfortable; but when these resources failed, they have often contracted debts, which have subsequently much embarrassed them, and injured the character of the ministry itself.

It is our deliberate conviction that many of the best men in the ministry have become prematurely superannuated, in consequence of their pecuniary embarrassments long continued; and when this has taken place, the little pittance appropriated to them from the Conference funds—and which was needed for the comfort of their families—has in many instances been voted away to pay those debts.

Now, it is believed that our members, as a general rule, are able and willing to support their ministers with respectability and comfort, if the matter can be properly presented to them, and a system can be devised which will secure uniformity of action.

To remove this great evil, the Committee on Finance have drafted a plan in the form of resolutions, which they now respectfully present, and in the following order:

1. *Resolved*, That a Financial Meeting of the preachers, stewards and leaders of each charge be held on the third Saturday after the close of each Annual Conference; the place of holding the meeting to be designated by the last quarterly Conference for the year; but that the first quarterly meeting for the present year be the time of holding the first meeting.

2. *Resolved*, That the Committee on Finance, provided for in Discipline, (page 16,) after estimating the amount necessary to furnish house rent, fuel and table expenses, shall add the quarterly claims thereto, and then, in consultation with the meeting, divide the whole amount among the several classes, according to their numbers, circumstances and privileges; a certificate of such apportionment, signed by the Recording Steward or Secretary of the meeting, to be furnished to each steward and class-leader.

3. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of this meeting to district the circuit or station among the stewards, giving each his proportion of the classes to attend to during the year.

4. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of each leader, in connection with one or more of the stewards, to apportion the amount required of him among the different members of his class; and, within ten days after said Financial Meeting, he shall call on each member, and endeavor to obtain his consent to such apportionment. He shall enquire of each member and probationer, whether they will pay quarterly, or in weekly payments, according to Mr. Wesley's original plan; then let the several amounts thus agreed to, be placed opposite each name in the Class Book, thus:

	Subscriptions.	1849 Names.	St. in So.	St. in life.	Attendance and Weekly Payments.									Quar. Paym'ts.			
					January.				February.				Total pay.	Quarters.			
					7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25		1	2	3	4
Per annum,	$50,00	I Wood, leader,	M	M	p	p	p	s	a	p	s	p		$20	10	10	10
" "	25,00	E Goodfellow, "	M	M	s	p	p	p	p	a	p	p		10	5	5	5
" "	10,00	W Allen, "	M	M	s	d	d	p	p	a	p	p	a	2	2	2	4
" week,	12	N Hart, "	P	s	p	12	12	a	25	12	12	a	25	1 00			
" "	10	Sarah Smith, "	M	W	p	10	10	10	a	20	10	a	20	80			
" "	00	G Freegrace, "	M	M	p	00	p	a	p	p	p	a	a	0 00	Paid nothing.		

5. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of each leader and steward to see that this amount is regularly collected, and placed in the hands of the stewards, to be paid to the preacher weekly or quarterly, as it is paid in. Let the preacher in charge appoint a person for each class, whose duty it shall be to assist the leader in collecting quarterage, and other funds for the support of the gospel, and make report to his leader.

6. *Resolved*, That a committee shall be appointed at each Sabbath preaching-place, and in other places where it may be deemed expedi-

ent, whose duty it shall be to circulate a subscription paper for the support of the gospel, among persons not members of our church, but who are in the habit of attending on our ministry. And let it be understood that it will be called for regularly once a quarter.

7. *Resolved,* That it shall be the duty of each Presiding Elder, in every quarterly conference of his district, to have the name of each leader called by the Secretary; the leader shall then report the amount apportioned to his class; the amount received; and the deficiency, if any. The Presiding Elder shall then enquire of each leader, if there be any of our members who refuse to contribute to the support of the gospel; and if any, their reasons for thus refusing. If their excuses are not satisfactory, it shall be the duty of the preachers in charge, or one of the stewards, to visit such persons, and endeavor to convince them of the great evil that must result from such a principle, if carried out.

8. *Resolved,* That it shall be the duty of the stewards, at the close of Love Feast, at each quarterly meeting, to make a report to all the members present, of the state of the finances; giving the amount received from, and the deficiency, (if any,) of each class.

9. *Resolved,* That it shall be the duty of the leader of every class that may be reported deficient, to inform his class, immediately after the quarterly meeting, of the amount of their deficiency; to state the deficiency of each individual member, and urge the importance of an immediate settlement.

10. *Resolved,* That the stewards, in making their settlements with the preachers, shall disburse the receipts to quarterage and table expenses, making an equal division between these two items, according to the relative proportion of claim in each. Let them preserve the same distinction in the Recording Steward's book, and, at the close of the year, send a report thereof to the Annual Conference.

The report should embrace the following particulars: the quarterage claim of each preacher—how much appropriated for house rent, fuel and table expenses, and also traveling expenses—how much has been paid on each of these; and if there be a deficiency, making the division according to the principle laid down in this resolution.

11. *Resolved*, That the Stewards of the Conference shall call for each of these separate "claims and receipts," and prepare their blanks accordingly. The preachers shall so report to them, and make the division between quarterage and table expenses, according to the principles of proportion laid down in the 10th resolution.

12. *Resolved*, That the Stewards of the Conference, in making their appropriations, shall proceed according to the principle of division as given in 10th resolution; and in connection therewith, they shall require from each preacher who has a claim on the Conference fund, a copy of their report to the stewards, as provided for above.

13. *Resolved*, That all the preachers of this Conference shall be required to co-operate with the stewards and membership in carrying these resolutions into effect; and that this shall be made an item in the examination of character at the Annual Conference.

14. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of each Presiding Elder, when he represents his district, to inform this Conference whether this financial system has been attended to in all his charges—whether it has met with any opposition; and if so, to give the sources and the reasons of such opposition.

15. *Resolved*, That the Presiding Elder shall bring this subject before the quarterly conference of each circuit and station, at the first quarterly meeting of this year, and strongly urge its immediate and hearty adoption.

16. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of each preacher (unless prevented by sickness or other unavoidable circumstance,) to make a pastoral visit to each family within the bounds of his circuit or station, at least once during each quarter.

C. McCLURE,
F. B. BANGS,
J. K. GILLETT,

Adrian, September 10th, 1849.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education reported favorably of the condition and prospects of the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion. The present plan of endowing the Seminary, and adding a Female Collegiate Institute to the corporation, was strongly approved, and a Committee appointed to procure a charter. The Conference adopted the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That we cordially approve and fully adopt the plan proposed by the Trustees of the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion, to endow permanent Professorships in said Seminary and Female Collegiate Institute.

2. *Resolved*, That we will recommend the plan to the people of our respective charges, and to the public in general; and will welcome the Agents of said Institute among us, and assist them in their work as far as is possible.

3. *Resolved*, That we are deeply impressed with the importance of female education of a high order, and the necessity of establishing a Female Collegiate Institute, as contemplated in the above plan.

4. *Resolved*, That the President of the Conference be respectfully requested to appoint a committee, whose duty it shall be to present the subject of the above-named Female Collegiate Institute to the Legislature of this State, at its next session, with a view of obtaining a charter for the said Institute.

5. *Resolved*, That as a Conference we still sympathise with the Trustees of the Wesleyan Seminary, in their efforts to maintain and extend the usefulness of the Institution; and will do what we can to fill its halls with students.

6. *Resolved*, That we cordially approve of the course of the faithful Agent, Rev. Wm. H. Brockway, and respectfully recommend, to the Superintendent of the Conference, his appointment for another year.

The Conference appointed the following Board of Visitors for the ensuing year:

Hon. I. Mayhew, Monroe; Rev. D. D. Wheedon, D.D., Ann Arbor; Rev. J. A. Baughman, Detroit; O. C. Comstock, Jr., M.D., Marshall; Ira Bidwell, Esq., Adrian; J. D. Morton, Esq., Monroe; Bela Hubbard,

Esq., Detroit; T. M. Town, M.D., Ypsilanti; N. Dennis, Esq., Niles; E. B. Pond, Esq., Coldwater; Judge Bradbury, Albion; Revs. Mr. Gelson, Albion; Mr. Northap, Homer; H. Morgan, Monroe; D. Burns, Plymouth; J. Blanchard.

RESOLUTIONS ON TEMPERANCE.

1. *Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this Conference, the scriptures teach and the gospel spirit requires all men to abstain from intoxicating drinks as a beverage.

2. *Resolved*, That the practice of making and vending intoxicating liquors, except for medicinal or mechanical purposes, is immoral and wrong, and must be repented of and turned from, if men would come to the kingdom of God.

3. *Resolved*, That as a Conference we earnestly desire and exhort all our legislators and State officers to give the license laws a thorough revision, and make the sale of intoxicating liquors, for drinking purposes, an indictable offence, or in some other way so frame the law as to secure speedy justice on all offenders.

4. *Resolved*, That we use our efforts to form, and invite the cooperation of other churches to unite in forming, *Christian Temperance Societies*, which shall include the church in its organized capacity, as a basis of operation, and furnish a ready and visible means by which she can extend her arms of light and love to the perishing, and afford shelter and security for all.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH.

Whereas, the proper observance of the Christian Sabbath is vitally connected with man's true happiness in this life and that which is to come: Therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That, as a Conference, we do heartily and cordially unite with all christians in the sanctification of the Sabbath.

2. *Resolved*, That the running of stages, railroad cars and steamboats, upon the Sabbath, are not works of mercy or of necessity, and are therefore inconsistent with the sanctity of the Sabbath.

3. *Resolved*, That the practice of securing grain, making sugar, traveling on worldly business, and visiting friends or going to the Post Office, on the Sabbath, is inconsistent with the christian profession.

4. *Resolved*, That each member of this Conference be, and he is, hereby requested to preach at least once during the year, in each congregation of his charge, upon the subject of the Christian Sabbath.

5. *Resolved*, That we will faithfully execute the discipline of our church upon all those under our care, who violate the sacred command of God, "*Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.*"

A communication from Rev. G. L. Foster, of the Congregational Church, in behalf of the General Association of Michigan, was received by the Conference, and referred to a Committee, which brought in the following

REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication of the Rev. G. L. Foster, Delegate from the General Association of Michigan, report—

That we receive with pleasure the christian and ministerial courtesy of our brethren of the General Association, and rejoice at this and every other opportunity of expressing our christian love, and extending our brotherly salutations to all who are of the household of faith, and of strengthening the bonds of christian love with all that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity; and thus confirming each others' faith and strengthening each others' hands, to oppose the common enemy of truth and righteousness.

The Committee would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That we receive with pleasure the communication of the General Association of Michigan, through the Rev. G. L. Foster, as an expression of christian kindness and ministerial courtesy, well calculated to strengthen the common bonds of unity and fraternal regard, that should unite the hearts of all the followers of Christ.

2. *Resolved*, That we cordially accept the proposal to interchange ministerial salutations, and all other christian courtesies that may tend to strengthen each others' christian love, and increase the fellowship of saints.

3. *Resolved*, That there be a delegation of two members of our body appointed to visit the Annual Association of Michigan, at its next annual meeting, and bear to them our christian salutations and ministerial regard.

4. *Resolved*. That a copy of the action of the Conference in this matter be forwarded to the Rev. G. L. Foster, and through him to the General Association of Michigan, certified by the Secretary of the Conference; and that it also be published.

The Conference adopted the report, and appointed Rev. J. A. Baughman and W. H. Collins delegates to attend the next Association of the Congregational Church in Michigan.

The Agent of the American Bible Society reported to the Conference that thirty counties of the State had been visited during the year; that there were thirty-five Auxiliary Societies, more or less active, in the State. Two counties had been thoroughly explored and supplied. Over twelve thousand Bibles and Testaments had been put in circulation, and *three thousand four hundred and sixty-eight dollars and forty-four cents* collected and disbursed; and that there was yet one family in from five to ten destitute of the word of life.

The Conference adopted the following resolutions from the Committee:

1. *Resolved*, That we are fully satisfied that the Holy Scriptures are not only necessary for man's religious welfare, but they are indispensable to his *civil* and *social* elevation.

2. *Resolved*, That we receive with joy and thanksgiving to the God of the Bible, the intelligence of the opening, in almost every part of the world, for the circulation of the Holy Scriptures.

3. *Resolved*, That we have the utmost confidence in the wisdom, integrity and usefulness of the American Bible Society, as a great in-

strument for the circulation of the Word of God; and most cordially sympathise with it in its operations.

4. *Resolved*, That we will still do all in our power to extend the influence of the Society in our midst, by welcoming its Agent, aiding in the prosecution of the work, and co-operating with the auxiliary societies in supplying the destitute within their own bounds.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS AND ITEMS.

Fast Day, Dec. 7th, 1849.—*Resolved*, That the first Friday in December be observed as a day of fasting and prayer, for the prosperity of the work of God among us.

December is the month for Missionary Collections.

Resolved, That a Missionary Collection be lifted in all our congregations during the month of December. [Each preacher in charge is to see that this is done.]

OFFICERS OF THE DIFFERENT CONFERENCE SOCIETIES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

Sunday School Union.—L. Chatfield, Vice President; S. D. Simonds, Corresponding Secretary; S. Steel, F. B. Bangs, and S. Reed, Committee to make arrangements for Anniversary in 1850, Sept. 5th.

Tract Society.—S. D. Simonds, President; W. H. Collins, Vice President; W. F. Cowles, Secretary and Treasurer; F. B. Bangs, E. McClure, Peter Sharp, W. E. Bigelow, and Geo. King, Board of Managers.

Missionary Society.—W. H. Brockway, President; J. F. Davidson, Vice President; David Burns, Secretary; George Smith, Treasurer; H. Morgan, W. F. Cowles, F. B. Bangs, E. McClure, and I. Bennett, Board of Managers.

COMMITTEE OF EXAMINATION FOR 1850.

1st year—	Bible, as to Doctrines,	H. Morgan.
	Systematic Divinity,	W. F. Cowles.
	English Science,	T. C. Gardner.
	Essay or Sermon,	H. M. Roberts.
2d year—	Bible, as to Sacraments,	S. Steel.
	Systematic Divinity,	George Taylor.
	Church Government, Natural & Moral Philosophy,	E. H. Pilcher.
	Essay or Sermon,	P. Shap.
3d year—	Bible—History & Chronology,	S. D. Simonds.
	Systematic Divinity,	W. Mothersill.
	Peck's Rule of Faith & Hibbard on Baptism,	W. H. Brockway.
	Ruter's and Tytler's Histories,	George Smith.
	Newman's Rhetoric & Hedge's Logic,	R. Sapp.
	Essay or Sermon,	E. McClure.
4th year—	Review of the whole,	C. T. Hinman.
	Systematic Divinity,	J. A. Baughman.
	Horne's Introduction,	Prof. Whedon.
	Claude and Essay or Sermon.	J. V. Watson.

QUEST. 18. *Where and when shall our next Conference be held?*

ANS. At Albion, Calhoun County, Michigan, Sept. 4th, 1850.

OBITUARIES.

Josiah Brakeman was born in Bloomfield, New York, Aug. 22, 1806. In 1827, he was converted to God, and joined the M. E. Church. He received license to exhort at the close of his probation, and in 1829, having received license to preach, he was employed by the Presiding Elder of Buffalo District, on Elba Circuit. The next year he was received on trial in the Genesee Conference, and traveling Ridgeway and Lewiston circuits, passed his probation with acceptance, and in 1832 was received into full connection in the Conference, and ordained deacon by Bishop Hedding. At the proper time, he graduated to elders' orders, traveling Middleport, Ridgeway and Aurora circuits. From the last circuit he removed to Michigan in 1836. In 1837 he was employed by the Presiding Elder on Farmington circuit, then including what is now Farmington and Birmingham circuits and Pontiac stations. In 1838 he joined the Michigan Conference, and was appointed to Pontiac circuit. The next year he was sent to Utica circuit, the next to Mt. Clemens, and the next two years to Romeo. In 1843 he was appointed Presiding Elder on Monroe District, where he labored four years. In 1847 he was transferred to the Ann Arbor District, where he labored till his death.

He was a good man and an acceptable and useful minister. His christian experience was very bright. He experienced the blessing of perfect love soon after his conversion, and lived it while he lived. He often said, "I have seen some dark hours, but I have never seen a dark day." God was with him in the last trying hour. On the 17th of July, 1849, while mounting a young horse, he was thrown over him on to the ground, by the horse suddenly starting on one side. This caused an internal rupture, of which he died on

Albion College Library

To the Members and Friends of the M. E. Church:—

DEAR BRETHREN—We have published, from the proceedings of our late Conference, all that was ordered published, and such other things as we humbly judged it would be useful to publish. We regret the imperfect condition in which some of the documents came into our hands, and the delay of others, producing a delay in the appearance of our Minutes. But all this, perhaps, will find sufficient apology in the health of our country, and of the Conference at the time of, and subsequently to, our session. Many of our brethren were unable to attend the session but a part of the time, and several not at all, while, great haste, if not indeed hurry, in our proceedings, was, under the circumstances, considered a dictate of wisdom. Even ordinary perfection in the Minutes of this year, could scarcely be expected. We have done the very best we could, making all corrections where mistakes were obvious, and "following copy" in every other instance.

We especially ask the attention of our readers to the reports and resolutions on our *Missionary*, *Sabbath School*, and *Educational Interests*.

E. H. PILCHER,
JAMES V. WATSON,
A. J. ELDRED,
} Committe of Publication.

MINUTES.

The Michigan Annual Conferance commenced its fifteenth Session in the village of Albion, Sept. 4, 1850, at 9 o'clock A. M.

Bishop THOMAS A. MORRIS, Presiding, who opened the Session by reading a portion of the Holy Scriptures, singing and prayer.

The list of members was then called by brother E. H. Pilcher, the Secretary of last year. Rev. Elijah H. Pilcher was elected Secretary.

The Conference then proceeded to appoint the following

STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. *On Public Worship*—James F. Davidson, C. T. Hinman, and W. H. Brockway.
2. *Stewards*—R. Sapp, J. Blanchard, and D. Burns.
3. *Necessitous Cases*—George Smith, G. W. Brown, and G. King.
4. *On Missions*—The Presiding Elders.
5. *Education*—L. Grant, C. T. Hinman, W. H. Brockway, Ja's. F. Davidson, and J. V. Watson.
6. *Sabbath Schools*—D. C. Jacokes, C. A. Bruce, and R. Pengelly.
7. *Post Offices*—David Thomas.
8. *The Bethel Cause*—E. Crane, G. Taylor, and H. Morgan.
9. *Publication of Minutes*—E. H. Pilcher, J. V. Watson, and A. J. Eldred.

The usual questions were asked and answered as follows, viz:

QUEST. 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

ANS. B. S. Taylor, Wm. Mahon, Ira B. Card, Thomas Clark, Wm. McKnight, J. H. Burnam, O. D. White, John Levington, Jeremy Boynton, Henry Harris, W. W. Johnson, Henry Jackson, W. S. Parsons.

QUEST. 2. *Who remain on trial?*

ANS. John M. Arnold, Samuel Clements, Amos Wakefield, James Somerville, Samuel P. Lee, Rufus C. Crane, Ransom Goodel, Erasmus D. Young, Isaac Taylor, Samuel Hendrickson, and Wm. Blades.

QUEST. 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

ANS. George Bignell, Benjamin F. Pritchard, Curtis Mosher, Pe-

ter O. Johnston, James S. Smart, Wm. Glass, Sylvester Calkins, George W. Hoag, Peter Marksman, and

QUEST. 4. *Who are the Deacons?*

ANS. *George Bignell, *B. F. Pritchard, C. Mosher, *P. O. Johnston, *J. S. Smart, *W. Glass, *S. Calkins, *G. W. Hoag, P. Marksman, Nathan Mount, E. W. Borden, N. Fassett, B. F. Doughty, M. W. Stambaugh, W. Benson, N. Abbott, Ja's. Sutton, J. W. Holt, and J. Kahbeeje.

QUEST. 5. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

ANS. Philander G. Buchanan, Andrew J. Eldred, Orrin Whitmore, Henry N. Brown, Wm. Kelley, Robert Dubois and F Glass.

QUEST. 6. *Who have located this year?*

ANS. Luther D. Whitney, Wm. C. Comfort.

QUEST. 7. *Who are the supernumerary preachers?*

ANS. None.

QUEST. 8. *Who are the superannuated preachers?*

ANS. L. Grant, R. Triggs, W. Todd, B. Sabin, A Billings, J. V. Watson, J. Gray, L. Chatfield, A. Minnis, Wm. Taylor, and Wm. P. Judd.

QUEST. 9. *Who have been expelled from the connection this year?*

ANS. None.

QUEST. 10. *Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?*

ANS. Hiram M. Roberts.

QUEST. 11. *Were all the preachers' characters examined?*

ANS. This was strictly attended to, by calling over their names before the Conference.

QUEST. 12. *Who have died this year?*

ANS. None.

QUEST. 13. *What numbers are in society?*

(See Statistics opposite page.)

QUEST. 14. *What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers; and to make up the deficiency of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?*

ANS. (See Report of board of Stewards, page 8.)

[Of this great deficiency, $——— has occurred in the regular work. How it has occurred may be found by consulting the 2d table.]

*Ordained this year.

Statistics of Membership off the Michigan M. E. Con.

CIRCUITS & STATIONS.	Members,	Probationers,	L. Preachers,
DETROIT DISTRICT,			
Detroit, 1st. Church,	198	16	3
Detroit, 2nd Church,	150	32	4
Detroit, Lafayette St.	43	9	2
Birmingham,	170	87	2
Pontiac,	115	9	1
Utica,	258	6	2
Port Huron,	69		
Mount Clemens,	78	10	
New Haven,	98	7	1
Richmond,	120	8	2
St. Clair,	112	2	
Romeo,	182	11	
Lakeville,	120	10	
Lexington,	90	12	2
Almonte,	164	5	2
Lapeer,	105		
Hadley,	129	36	2
Total,	2191	260	23
ANN ARBOR DIS'T.			
Ann Arbor,	223	40	2
Ypsilanti,	157	15	
Plymouth,	255	106	5
Northville,	96		1
Farmington,	265	44	4
Milford,	265	14	3
Livingston,	247	88	5
Ingham,	200	12	3
Dexter,	101	23	1
Manchester,	242	37	4
Saline,	197	49	4
Total,	2248	328	32
MARSHALL DIS'T.			
Marshall,	170	34	1
Albion,	148	20	1
South Albion,	445	40	2
Jackson,	80		
Grass Lake,	152	6	2
Tompkins,	280	55	5
Eaton,	251	45	6
Litchfield,	347	66	5
Coldwater,	96	3	1
Girard,	115	20	1
Gilead,	107		
Burlington,	365	40	8
Battle Creek,	334	20	2
Nottaway Ind. Miss.	70	26	
Total,	2960	375	34
MONROE DIS'T.			
Monroe	87	4	1
Dearbonville,	288	26	1
Trenton,	63	15	2
Oakville,	278	135	3
Dundee,	293	50	1
Tecumseh,	331	73	6
Adrian,	259	42	1
Rome,	195	23	3
Hillsdale,	59	11	1
South Hillsdale,	102	4	2
Hudson,	214	20	2
Medina,	206	39	1
Palmyra,	107		4
Total	2482	442	28
KALAMAZOO DIS'T.			
Kalamazoo,	168	17	3
Climax,	162	29	1
Schoolcraft,	81	7	2
Centreville,	400	67	8
White Pigeon,	140		1
Edwardsburg,	285	25	2
Niles,	109	33	
Berrien,	328	14	7
St. Joseph,	202		3
Paw Paw,	168	40	2
Allegan,	245	8	4
Hastings,	128	28	
Total,	2416	268	33
GRAND RIV. DIS'T.			
Grand Rapids,	113	17	1
Paris,	84	6	
Talmage,	118	4	5
Flat River,	252	8	1
Lyons,	218	36	2

Statistics of Membership of Mich. M. Con. (Continued.)

CIRCUITS & STATIONS,	Members,	Probationers,	L. Preachers,	CIRCUITS & STATIONS,	Members,	Probationers,	L. Preachers,
Rochester,	142	44	2	INDIAN MISS. DIST.			
Lansing,	72	3		Sault Ste Marie Miss.	42	12	
Bennington,	126	30	2	Ke-wa-wenon Miss.	51	3	
Shiawassee,	139	42	1	" Whites,	2	28	
Fentonville,	260	28	4	Eagle River Mission,	12		
Oxford,	192	12	4	Sandy Lake Miss.	5		4
Flint,	105	8	3	Fon du Lac Miss.	6		
Genessee,	280	15	3				
Saginaw,	24	12		Total, Indians,	104	48	
Kazier Ind. Miss.	245		3	" Whites,	14		
Janesville Ind. Miss	128	18					
" Whites,	11						
Total, Whites,	2136	265	32				
" Indians,	373	18					

RECAPITULATION.

	Members.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.
Detroit District,	2191	260	23
Ann Arbor "	2248	328	32
Marshall "	2890	349	34
" " Indians,	70	26	
Monroe "	2482	442	28
Kalamazoo "	2416	268	33
Grand Riv. "	2136	265	32
" " Indians,	373	18	
Indian Miss " "	104	48	
" " Whites,	14		
Total, Whites,	14377	1912	182
" Indians,	547	92	
Last year,	14042	1345	182
" Indians,	583	83	
Increase Whites,	355	567	
Decrease of Indians,	36	9	
Net increase past year,	900		

REPORT of the Board of Stewards of the Michigan Annual Conference.

Circuits.	Preachers.	QUARTERAGE.			HOUSE RENT.			TABLE EXPENSES.			TRAV. EXPENSES.			Fifth Collections.
		Claim.	Rec'pts	Deficit.	Claims.	Rec'pts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Rec'pts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Rec'pts.	Deficit.	
DETROIT DISTRICT,	James Shaw, P. E.	$248 00	$168 00	$80 00	$55 00	$55 00		$125 00	$ 91 00	$40 00	$60 00	$60 00		
Detroit, First Charge,	S. D. Simonds,	200 00	200 00								10 00	10 00		8 00
Second do	G. Taylor,	240 00	240 00					200 00	200 00					
Lafayette Street,	J. J. Perry,	248 00	248 00		77 00	77 00		175 00	75 00	100 00				2 50
Birmingham,	Hiram Law,	216 00	216 00		38 00	38 00		75 00	75 00		40 35	40 35		5 33
Pontiac,	L. D. Price,	216 00	216 00		52 00	52 00		120 00	120 00		10 00	10 00		
Utica,	J. Jennings,	232 00	150 00	82 00	28 00	28 05		115 00	74 90	40 10				
Fort Huron,	Wm. Taylor,	216 00	193 52	23 48	45 00	41 05	3 95	85 00	76 85	9 15	10 00	18 70	1 30	3 06
Mt. Clemens,	Seth Read,	206 00	160 00	56 00	36 00	30 00	6 00	72 00	50 00	22 00	40 00	36 00	4 00	
New Haven,	J. Russell,	216 00	216 00											2 03
Richmond,	S. Calkins,	200 00	140 00	60 00	12 00	8 00	4 00	45 00	30 00	15 00	45 00	35 00	10 00	
St. Clair,	H. Worthington,	240 00	120 00	140 00	35 00	12 50	22 00	100 00	50 00	50 00	25 00	12 50	12 50	
Romeo,	W. E Bigelow,	216 00	147 00	69 00				75 00	51 00	24 00	33 00	22 00	11 00	
Lakeville,	H. N. Brown,	200 00	145 00	55 65	25 00	25 00		65 00	65 00		25 00	25 00		2 71
Lexington,	Wm. Glass,	200 00	122 00	88 00	25 00	16 60	8 40	85 00	55 66	29 34	14 00	9 00	5 00	
Almont,	Thos. Seely,	200 00	200 00		26 00	26 00		65 00	65 00		5 00	5 00		
Lapeer,	R. C. Crawford,	200 00	169 67	30 43	30 00	30 00		50 00	50 00		30 13	30 00		
Hadley,	F. B. Prichard,	250 00	250 00		12 00	12 00		75 00	75 00		13 00	13 00		
American Bible Society,	J. A. Baughman,	200 00	200 00											
		$4144 00	$3500 54	$684 56	$491 00	$451 15	$44 85	$1532 00	$1085 41	$329 99	$3603 50	$316 55	$43 80	$23 63
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT,	W.H. Collins, P.E.	264 00	220 71	81 29	80 00	66 00	14 00	150 00	125 45	24 55	40 00	34 36	5 64	
Ann Arbor,	George Smith,	240 00	220 00	20 00				190 00	160 00	30 00	15 00	15 00		3 20
Ypsilanti,	W. F. Cowls,	216 00	216 00		52 00	52 00		100 00	100 00		31 00	31 00		
Plymouth,	D. Burns,	200 00	95 00	5 00				70 00	70 00		25 00	24 14	86	
"	F. Britton,	256 00	137 77	28 23	44 25	44 25		85 00	85 00		29 14	29 14		
"	P. G. Buchanan,	100 00	100 00					50 00	50 00					
Northville,	D. C. Jacokes,	200 00	200 00											
Farmington,	F. Warner,	200 00	131 90	69 10	45 00	45 00		55 00	40 00	15 00	39 50	39 50		9 32
"	Wm. Fox,				50 00	50 00		80 00	80 00		35 00	35 00		*2 72
Milford,	Thos. Waklin,	216 00	216 00					60 00	45 94	14 06	41 00	30 88	10 72	
Livingston,	I. F. Collins,	200 00	146 95	54 05				53 00	53 00		10 00	10 00		
Ingham,	Alfred Allen,	200 00	200 00					90 00	80 81	9 15	26 36	26 36		
Dexter,	Alex. Campbell,	100 00	95 00	5 00				100 00	100 00		35 00	35 00		
Manchester,	I. C. Abbott,	200 00	120 00	80 00				175 00	75 00		30 00	30 00		
"	Noah Fassett,	200 00	120 00	80 00				125 00	106 10	18 90	55 09	46 67	8 33	3 30
Saline,	M. W. Stanbaugh,	256 00	217 24	38 76										
		$3048 00	$2436 57	$461 43	$271 25	$257 25	$14 00	$1303 00	$1191 30	$111 70	$412 00	$387 65	$24 35	$18 54

MARSHALL DISTRICT,	A. M. Fitch, P. E.	248 00	248 00		104 00	104 00		150 00			36 00	36 00					
Marshall,	E. McClure,																
Albion,	J. F. Davidson,	256 00	180 00	76 00				120 00	100 00		2 00	2 00					
South Albion,	I. Coggshall,	216 00	110 00	104 00				100 00	60 00		26 00	26 10					
" "	W. Kelly,	200 00	105 00	95 00	39 00	39 00		75 00	40 00		26 50	26 00					
Jackson,	F. Gage,	200 00	50 00	150 00	75 00	18 00		100 00	25 00								
Grass Lake,	R. Pengelly,	216 00	120 96	96 04	30 00	41 25		80 00	68 12		25 00	26 21				5 00	
Tompkins,	Samuel Bessy,	256 00	192 00	64 00	30 00	22 55		81 00	65 25		26 00	19 20				3 74	
Eaton,	A. Wakefield,	260 00	133 27	66 73	5 00	5 00		55 00	36 65		8 00	8 00				10 00	
Litchfield,	I. Bennett,	256 00	236 00	20 00				110 00	100 00		20 00	20 00				7 50	
"	J. M. Arnold;	100 00	92 00	4 00				30 00	27 33		20 00	18 66					
Coldwater,	P. Sharpe,	256 00	151 00	105 00	50 00			195 00	115 40		26 00	26 00				1 40	
Girard,	H. Penfield,	248 00	194 40	54 60				100 00	77 47		28 00	25 78					
Gilead,																	
Burlington,	T. H. Jacokes,	216 00	28 75	98 25	52 00	4 25		90 00	30 45		20 00	15 00					
"	F. S. Root,	100 00	97 53	2 47				40 00	22 29		5 00	3 47					
Battle Creek,	O. Mason,																
Nottaway Indian Mission,	M. Hickey,	100 00	100 00					25 00	25 00		25 00	25 00					
Albion Seminary,	C. T. Hinman,	216 00	216 00														
" "	N. Abbott,	216 00	216 00														
" "	W. H. Brockway.	242 00	242 00														
" "	W. P. Judd,	288 00	200 00	88 00	65 00	50 00		125 00	125 00		30 00	25 00					
		$	$	$	$	$		$	$		$	$				$	
MONROE DISTRICT,	L. Chatfield, P. E.	200 00	120 00	80 00													
Monroe,	H. Morgan,	216 00	190 00	26 00				100 00	60 00		30 00	30 00					
Dearbornville,	Wm. Mothersill,	248 00	155 00	93 00	27 50	27 50		130 00	130 00		7 00	7 00					
"	Robert Bird,	200 00	125 00	75 00				90 00	75 00		16 00	10 00					
Trenton,	J. S. Smart,	100 00	100 00					35 00	25 00			63					
Oakville,	E. W. Borden,	248 00	147 66	100 37	25 00	25 00		65 00	65 00		35 00	35 00				3 00	
Dundee,	Robert Dubois,	200 00	76 00	24 00	25 00	26 00		75 00	47 66		6 00	3 80					
"	S. Hendrickson,	100 00	100 00					82 00	82 00		27 00	20 75					
Tecumseh,	A. C. Shaw,	216 00	216 00								4 00	4 00					
"	C. A. Bruce,	248 00	248 00		30 00	30 00		80 00	80 00		48 00	48 00				4 00	
Adrian,	T. C. Gardner,	248 00	233 56	14 44				83 00	93 00		30 00	30 00					
Rome,	N. Mount,	232 00	118 22	113 78													
Hillsdale,	P. C. Buchanan,	100 00	100 00					70 00	35 70		14 13	14 13				1 31	
South Hillsdale,	R. McConnell,	200 00	200 00					130 00	122 44		30 75	30 75					
Hudson,	E. Steele,	239 00	129 00	110 00	50 00	50 00		100 00	100 00		50 00	50 00					
"	I. Taylor,	100 00	74 00	26 00				110 00	90 00		12 00	11 00					
Medina,	D. A. Curtis,							20 00	20 00		5 00	5 0					
Palmyra,	S. C. Stringham,																
		$	$	$	$	$		$	$		$	$				$	

*Not received in time to be appropriated.

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		Claims.	Rec'pts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Rec'pts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Rec'pts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Rec'pts.	Deficit.	
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT,	F. B. Bangs, P. E.	$ 232 00	$ 188 00	$ 44 00	$ 80 00	$ 63 00		$ 100 00	$ 83 00	$	$ 50 00	$ 41 00	$	
Kalamazoo,	E. H Pilcher,	248 00	248 00					100 00	100 00		15 00	15 00		3 00
Climax,	G. Mosher,	280 00	280 00		15 00	15 00		70 00	70 00		30 00	30 00		
Schoolcraft,	S. Clements,	100 00	79 56	20 44				34 00	34 00		13 00	13 00		
Centreville,	S. A. Osborn,	248 00	248 00		40 00	40 00		90 00	90 00		10 00	10 00		
"	S. P. Lee,	100 00	100 00					35 00	35 00					
White Pigeon,	J. Blanchard,	216 00	150 00	66 00	32 00	20 00		100 00	70 00		25 00	20 00		
Edwardsburgh,	V. G. Boynton,	200 00	173 33	26 67	25 00	25 00		70 00	61 66		15 00	15 00		5 93
"	S. Steele,	200 00	175 33	24 67				70 00	62 66		15 00	15 00		
Niles,	H. Hall,	280 00	280 00					100 00	100 00		15 00	15 00		
Berrien,	B. F. Doughty,	216 00	216 00		48 00	48 00		70 00	70 00		49 00	49 00		3 00
"	Geo. King,	200 00	150 00	50 00	15 00	11 25		70 00	52 50		37 00	27 75		
St. Joseph,	J. S. Sutton,													
Paw Paw,	A. J. Eldred,	216 00	216 00											
Allegan,	R. Goodale,	200 00	200 00					70 00	70 85		5 00	5 00		
Hastings,								85 00	85 00		26 00	26 00		
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$		$	$		$
GRAND RIVER DISTRICT,	G. Bradley, P. E.	216 00	122 00	94 00	75 00	75 00		100 00	100 00		40 00	40 00		
Grand Rapids,	J. Summerville,	100 00	100 00					130 00	130 00		3 00	3 00		
Paris,	G. Bignell,	216 00	175 00	41 00	18 00	14 28		60 00	47 33		25 00	19 28		
Talmage,	W. W. Johnson,	232 00	232 00					85 00	85 00		15 00	15 00		
Flat River,	Eli Westlake,	216 00	162 00	54 00				90 00	90 00		8 00	8 00		1 50
Lyons,	S. C. Woodard,	200 00	177 00	22 67	40 00	22 00		50 00	44 33		30 00	17 40		
Rochester,	Wm. Benson,	200 00	127 91	72 09				60 00	38 36		18 00	11 51		1 43
Lansing,	R. Sapp,	232 00	35 40	196 60	50 00	50 00		150 00	24 60		26 13	26 13		
Bennington,	F. A. Blades,	200 00	152 66	48 37				72 00	55 33					
"	F. Glass,	100 00	66 66	33 33				57 00	36 90					
Shiawassee,	O. Whitmore,	200 00	151 97	49 03	18 00	15 00		40 00	30 39		30 00	30 00		
Fentonville,	G. N. Bellknapp,													
Oxford.	T B. Granger,	216 00	165 00	51 00	22 50	22 50		70 00	62 30		40 00	40 00		
"	G. W. Hoag,	200 00	125 00	75 00	20 00	20 00		55 00	55 00		36 99	36 99		
Flint,	M. B. Camburn,	200 00	200 00					100 00	100 00		25 00	25 00		
Genesee.	D. Thomas,	248 00	135 00	112 87	30 00	30 00		75 00	40 34		43 00	43 00		9 00
Saginaw,	A. Bell,	216 00	181 00	35 00	36 00	36 00		87 00	61 00		50 00	50 00		
Kazier Mission,	E. D. Young,	216 00	216 00					34 00	34 00					
"	Kah-beeje,	116 00	116 00					75 00	75 00		34 00	34 00		
Janesville Mission,	G. W. Brown,	216 00	216 00											
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$

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QUEST. 15. *What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

ANS. $784 69, viz:—

From Fifth Collections,	$119 69
" Book Concern,	600 00
" Chartered Fund,	65 00
	$784 69

This amount has been applied as follows:—

To Bishop Hedding,	$11 21	Amount brought up,	$367 80
" " Waugh,	11 21	To John Gray,	58 81
" " Morris,	11 21	" W. C. Comfort,	51 68
" " Hamline,	11 21	" * E. Crane,	55 27
" " Janes,	13 41	" Widow Fox,	22 23
" Widow Roberts,	3 45	" " Ruark,	22 23
" L. Grant,	49 63	" " Chaplin,	22 23
" R. Triggs,	48 14	" " Staples,	32 99
" W. Todd,	44 58	" " Brakeman,	41 90
" L. D. Whitney,	57 06	" " Shirtliff,	38 34
" A. Biilings,	49 63	" Adam Minnis,	48 14
" J. V. Watson,	57 63	" T. H. Jacokes,	19 14
Carried up,	$367 80	Total disbursed,	$780 76

CLAIMANTS ENTITLED TO DIVIDEND, WITH AMOUNT OF CLAIM.

L. Grant,	$224 00	Amount brought up,	$2520 20
R. Triggs,	216 00	Widow Staples,	148 00
Wm. Todd,	200 00	" Brakeman,	188 00
L. D. Whitney,	256 00	" Shirtliff,	172 00
A. Billings,	224 00	Adam Minnis,	216 00
J. V. Watson,	256 00	Bishop Hedding,	11 21
John Gray,	264 00	" Waugh,	11 21
W. C. Comfort,	232 00	" Morris,	11 21
E. Crane,	248 00	" Hamline,	11 21
Widow Fox,	100 00	" Janes,	13 41
" Ruark,	100 00	Widow Roberts,	3 45
" Chaplin,	100 00		
Carried up,	$2520 00	Total,	$3205 70

AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR NECESSITOUS CASES.

FROM DETROIT DISTRICT.

Utica circuit, by J. Jennings, - - - - $14 00

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.

Plymouth Circuit, by D. Burns, - - - - - 10 17

* Brother Crane appropriates the amount of money as above divided to him, to the Necessitous Claimants on the Conference.

Amount carried up,	$24 17
Marshall District.	
Girard Circuit, by H. Penfield,	3 25
Monroe District.	
Hudson Circuit, by E. Steele,	5 34
Adrian Station paid I. Bidwell,	10 00
Medina Circuit, by D. A. Curtis,	13 45
Kalamazoo District.	
Climax, by C. Mosher, raised for Widow Brakeman,	11 31
	$67 52

Appropriated as follows:—

To Widow Brakeman,	$19 33⅓
" " Shirtliff	19 33⅓
" " Staples,	19 33⅓
" Brother A. Billings,	9 52
	$67 52

The first installment of interest on donation of Mr. A. Parkhurst, for the widows and orphans of deceased preachers of the Michigan Annual conference.

	Amount,	$32 50
	Expense of Recording,	1 50
		$31 50

Paid to Mrs. Fox,		$3 92
" "	Ruark,	3 92
" "	Chaplin,	3 92
" "	Staples and children,	5 63
" "	Brakeman "	7 05
" "	Shirtliff "	6 56
		$31 00

Note.—This is a grant of $500, to be constantly funded, and the interest only applied for the above object.

Quest. 16. *What has been contributed for the support of Missions, what for the publication of Tracts and Sunday School books, and what to aid the American Bible Society and its Auxiliaries?*

Ans. [See following Report.]

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, OF THE MICH. AN. CON. OF M. E. CHURCH.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

Detroit,—1st. Charge, By Rev. S. D. Simonds,	$67 00
Ten dollars of which is from the Sabbath S. for China Miss. balance for California Miss.	

Detroit—2nd Charge, by Rev George Taylor, Seven dollars of which is from Sabbath S.	30 00
Birmingham—By Rev. Hiram Law,	6 50
Pontiac—By Rev L. D. Price, Twenty dollars of which has been forwarded to N Y, to constitute Rev. L. D. Price life Member of Parent Society.	24 30
Utica—By Rev. J. Jennings, Ten dollars of which is to constitute J. Jennings a life Member of the Conference Missionary Society.	18 00
Port Huron—By Rev. W. Taylor, Two dollars of the above from the Sabbath School Juvenile Miss. Society.	15 06
Mt. Clemens—By Rev. Seth Reed,	5 31
Richmond—By Rev. S. Calkins, Twenty dollars of which to constitute W. Warner a life Member of Parent Society.	36 43
Romeo—By Rev. W. E. Bigelow,	18 54
Lakeville—By Rev. H. N. Brown,	13 16
Lexington—By Rev. Wm. Glass,	4 00
Almont—By Rev. T. Seeley,	9 37
Hadley—By Rev. F. B. Prichard,	6 00
	$253 67

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.

Ann Arbor—By Rev. George Smith, For the California Mission.	$21 75
Ypsilanti—By Rev. W. F. Cowles, Twenty dollars of which to constitute Rev. W. F. Cowles, life Member of Parent Society.	30 00
Plymouth—By Rev D Burns, Three dollars of which is from Plymouth Union D of T, for Indian Miss.	35 00
Farmington—By Rev F W Warren,	30 26
Milford—By Rev T Wakelin,	28 77
Livingston—By Rev J F Collins,	21 37
Ingham—By Rev A Allen, Five dollars in goods, for Nottaway Miss.	7 00
Dexter—By Rev A Campbell,	4 75
Mancester—By Rev J Abbott,	23 00
Saline—By Rev M W Stambaugh,	4 00
	$205 90

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Marshall—By Rev Wm Mahon, Of this amount, fifty-one dollars and sixty-four cents is from the Missionary and Be-	90 50

nevolent Society, in box-goods, for the Nottaway Miss; nineteen dollars and eighty-seven cents from the S. S. for China Mission.	
ALBION—By Rev J F Davidson,	4 00
SOUTH ALBION—By Rev Wm Kelley,	13 00
" " By Rev I Cogshall,	14 30
GRASS LAKE—By Rev. R Pengelly,	6 00
TOMPKINS—By Rev S Bessey,	16 72
EATON—By Rev A Wakefield,	19 00
LITCHFIELD—By Rev I Bennett,	43 16
COLD WATER—By Rev P Sharp,	5 75
GIRARD—By Rev H Penfield,	33 72
BURLINGTON—By Rev O D White,	1 65
	252 80

MONROE DISTRICT.

MONROE—By Rev H Morgan,	21 67
DEARBONVILLE—By Rev W Mothercill,	72 79
Sixty of which is to constitute Mrs Cath. Mothercill, Mrs Emiline Bird and Mary Ann Moon life members of the Parent Miss. Society.	
TRENTON—By Rev J S Smart,	25 00
OAKVILLE—By Rev E W Borden,	25 00
Mwenty of wnich is to constitute Mrs Marg. Borden a life member of Parent Society.	
DUNDEE—By Rev R Dubois,	4 12
TECUMSEH—By Rev A C Shaw,	12 25
Five dollars of which is by Mrs Bloomshine for German Mission.	
ADRIAN—By Rev T C Gardner,	26 45
ROME—By Rev N Mount,	11 00
HUDSON—By Rev E Steele,	13 50
MEDINA—By Rev D A Curtis,	39 17
	$250 95

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

KALAMAZOO—By Rev E H Pilcher,	5 00
CLIMAX—By Rev C Mosher,	27 61
Twenty of which paid by him to constitute Mrs Julia A Mosher, L M Parent Society,	
CENTREVILLE—By S A Osborn,	20 00
To constitute Mrs S A Osborn a life Member of Parent Society.	
WHITE PIGEON—By Rev J Blanchard,	1 10
EDWARDSBURGH—By Rev J Ercanbrack	6 00
NILES—By Rev S Steel,	22 50
BERRIEN—By Rev H Hall,	16 50
For Nottaway Mission.	
NEW PAW—By Rev J Sutton, to constitute him life Mem. P,So.	20 00

Hastinns—By Rev R Goodale	4 50
	$123 71

GRAND RIVER DISTRICT.

Grand Rapids—By Rev J Somerville,	4 44
Paris—By Rev George Bignell,	4 09
Talmage—By Rev W W Johnson,	18 76
Flat River—By Rev E Westlake,	11 34
" " By Rev T B Granger, Balance of last year.	3 31
Lyons—By Rev S C Woodard,	6 31
Rochester—By Rev Wm Benson, One box of goods for Flint Indian Miss, from the Female Missionary Society of Du Plain.	17 00
Bennington—By Rev F A Blades,	3 25
Shiawassee—By Rev O Whitmore,	26 74
Fentonville—By Rev W Blades,	11 85
Oxford—By Rev T B Granger,	5 43
Genesee—By Rev D Thomas, Thirty dollars and fifty cents of which was in a box of goods for Swan Creek Mission from the Ladies' Benevolent Society of Flushing.	60 00
Flint—By Rev. M B Camburn,	39 18
Janesville—By Rev G W Brown,	15 05
	$226 75

INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT.

Saut Ste Marie—By Rev J H Pitzell,	26 33
" By Rev P Marksman, Collection from Indians	2 25
Ke-wa-wenon—By Rev N Barnum and R C Crane, And appropriated to building Miss. Church.	80 27
Fon du Lac—By Rev J W Holt,	6 00
Sandy Lake—By Rev S Spates, For German paper remitted.	5 00
Eagle River—By Rev E H Day,	9 00
" Remitted to make Mrs. Lovina Day a life Member of Mich Conference Missionary Society,	10 00
Appropriated,	10 00
	$148 85

RECAPITULATION.

Detroit District,	$253 67
Ann Arbor "	205 90
Marshall, "	252 80
Monroe "	250 95
Kalamazoo "	123 21
Grand River "	226 75
Indian Miss. "	148 85
	$1402 13
Annual subscription of Members,	49 00
Collection at Anniversary,	18 27
Whole amount raised for Missions,	$1529 40

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

ABSTRACT FROM SECRETARY'S REPORT.—The Secretary, (Rev. D. Burns,) reported in substance, as follows:—

That while it was cause for devout gratitude that we were permitted to meet on the 15th Anniversary of our Missionary Society, that it was also cause for deep regret that the collections from the circuits and stations, as shown by the Treasurer's Report (See Report,) just read, were so small. Compared with other years, it shows that circuits and stations that used to send in their $50, and $100, have sent in this year, their *fives* and *tens*; and now, instead of having three, or five thousand to report, we have but the meagre sum of $1335 57, and this too, from a membership of over *sixteen thousand*—an average of only 8½cts. per member. Have we done our duty as philanthropists and Christians? Why, the Wesleyans in starving Ireland have raised for Missions the past year, $21,580, or an average of over *one dollar* per member! The Board hardly know how to conceal their mortification. While the collections of other Conferences have annually increased, we have retrograded. In 1846–7, we raised $2100, in '48 $1100, in '49 $1200, and in 1850, $1300. How should this effect us? How must it effect our self-denying brethren in the Missionary work; and how effect the Missionary Board at New York, who have resolved, believing the annual Conferences will sustain the resolution, to apprpriate $150,000 to the Missionary work the present year? Why so little zeal in this holy cause? It certainly cannot be attributed to a want of confidence in it. If the success of any enterprise among men should inspire confidence, the success of this holy cause certainly should. It is only eight years since the first Indian Missions were commenced in the Lower Peninsula, and now there are five stations among different bands, and 392 church members, fifty-eight of whom have been converted the past year. There are, also, seven day schools, and seven sabbath schools, (in which are one hundred and fifty-seven children) in successful operation. The Missions in the Upper Peninsula are no less prosperous. We have there, four stations, four sunday, and three day schools flourishing in the smile of Divine approval. At Ke-wa-wenon the past winter twenty Indians have been converted. And what is true of those, is true of Missions generally,—they are everywhere spots of brightness in 'the dark places of the earth.'

The Board would enquire again, 'why this falling off in our Missionary contributions?' Are Christians in Michigan poorer, or less

TABLE I.—*Statistics of Membership of the Michigan Con. M. E. C.*

STATIONS.	Members.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Bible Cause.
Detroit District.				
Detroit 1st Church	212	51	2	$37 05
Detroit 2d Church	163	50	3	29 36
Detroit L'fayette st	79	15	3	5 75
Birmingham	255	45	2	5 41
Pontiac	112	45	1	15 94
Utica	193	16	3	10 93
Mt. Clemens	78	10		7 50
New Haven	92	8		4 06
Dearbornville	279	43	1	12 45
Farmington	323	47	4	12 62
St. Clair	142			18 24
Port Huron	65	17		19 58
Lexington	80	25	3	
	2073	372	22	$176 61
Ann Arbor District.				
Ann Arbor	226	27	3	$13 50
Ypsilanti	151	5		12 43
Plymouth	321	49	5	8 25
Northville	96			6 90
Millford	265		3	2 32
Livingston	266	42	5	13 10
Ingham	200	30	1	5 50
Dexter	102		2	14 64
Jackson	75	5	2	10 85
Grass Lake	171	34	2	20 00
Manchester	227	21	2	
Saline	173	20	4	2 75
	2273	233	29	$121 56
Monroe District—				
Monroe	78	5		$5 50
Dundee	245	15	1	
Oakville	163	28	2	
Flat Rock	175	26		7 92
Trenton	47	7		30 00
Tecumseh	224	48	3	26 00
Franklin	100	13	2	2 56
Palmyra	84	12	3	
Adrian	265	24	2	50 00
Medina	280	91	1	
Rome	203	36	5	2 27
Hudson	225	14	2	6 05
Hillsdale	49	26		15 00
South do.	105	5	3	
	2303	350	24	$145 49
Marshall District—				
Marshall	142	13	2	$15 00
Albion	175	5	1	21 96
South Albion	390	30	6	27 00
Tompkins	250	58	5	4 52
Eaton	280	61	6	9 50
Battle Creek	239	12	3	21 89
Burlington	365	40		
Litchfield	357	47	5	4 95
Coldwater	103	3	1	14 50
Girard	126	12	1	6 84
Gilead	85	24		2 75
Nottaway In Miss.	Ind w 108 2	Ind 47	2	
	Ind w 108 2514	Ind w 47 305	40	$129 91

STATIONS.	Members.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Bible Cause.
Kalamazoo District.				
Kalamazoo	97	5	1	$15 00
Climax	137	34	1	2 62
Schoolcraft	83	8	1	2 40
Centreville	424	37	5	15 28
Constantine	154	8	1	20 72
Edwardsburg	300	5	1	
Niles	106	8		10 00
Berrien	300	58	6	4 00
St. Joseph	89	30	3	
Paw Paw	100	5	2	
Wayne	127	22		
	1911	220	25	$70 52
Grand River District—				
Grand Rapids	104	14	1	$12 44
Paris	100	16		5 00
Talmage	132	10	6	5 00
Flat River	253	48	2	2 80
Hastings	145	88	1	4 26
Allegan	117	41	2	6 40
Otsego	107	18	1	4 30
Lyons	233	62	2	14 07
Dewitt	126	43	2	6 79
Duplains	126	10	1	
Lansing	75	20		11 50
Bennington	120	19	2	
Shiawassee	146	44	3	
	1784	433	24	$72 62
Flint District—				
Flint	120	10	4	$34 50
Genesee	386	11	3	6 26
Saginaw	32	4		
Fentonville	285	45	4	8 23
Oxford	195	36	3	4 08
Hadley	129	36	2	4 56
Lapeer	116	2	1	12 62
Almont	175	1	2	1 50
Lakeville	105	16	2	
Romeo	180	6		17 55
Richmond	72	15	2	3 95
Kazier Miss.	Ind. 270	Ind. 12	2	
Janesville Ind. Miss.	Ind. 157	Ind. 12		
	Ind. 427 1795	Ind. 24 172	25	$94 25
Indian Miss. District—				
Saulte Ste Marie	Ind w 58 5	Ind 10		
Kewawenon	Ind w 44 30	Ind 1		
Sandy Lake & Mill Lac	Ind w 4 2 w			
Eagle River	32 w	10	1	
Ontonagon	12			
	Ind 106 81	Ind 11 10	1	

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS	Members.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Bible Cause.
Detroit District	2073	372	22	$176 61
Ann Arbor "	2273	233	29	121 56
Monroe "	2303	350	24	145 49
	Ind	Ind		
Marshall "	108 2514	47 305	40	127 16
Kalamazoo "	1911	220	25	70 52
Grand River "	1784	433	24	72 62
	Ind	Ind		
Flint "	427 1795	24 172	25	94 25
	Ind	Ind		
Ind. Miss. "	106 81	11 10	1	
	Ind	Ind		
	641 14734	82 2095	190	$808 21

Total Members this year	17,742
" " last year	17,109
Increase	633

TABLE II.—REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS OF THE MICHIGAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTERAGE.			HOUSE RENT.			TABLE EXPENSES.			TRAVELING EXPENSES.			Fifth Collection.
		Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.	
DETROIT DISTRICT.	James Shaw,	$248 00	$228 00	$ 20 00	$ 96 00	$ 96 00	$	$198 00	$140 00	$ 40 00	$ 90 00	$ 70 00	$ 20 00	$
1st Church,	E. H. Pilcher,	256 00	256 00		110 00	110 00		234 00	234 00		31 00	31 00		30 00
2d Church,	Geo. Taylor,	240 00	240 00		par			185 00	185 00					14 25
Lafayette,	L. D. Price,	216 00	216 00		84 00	84 00		150 00	150 00		18 00	18 00		1 00
Birmingham,	Hiram Law,	232 00	232 00		50 00	50 00		75 00	75 00		30 00	30 00		
Pontiac,	Seth Reed,	232 00	232 00		52 00	52 00		130 00	120 00		7 00	7 00		
Utica,	R. C. Crawford,	200 00	123 85	76 15				50 00	50 00		40 00	40 00		
Mount Clemens,	H. Worthington,	232 00			36 00			75 00						
New Haven,	Wm. Glass,	200 00	133 33	66 66	18 00	12 00	6 00	75 00	50 00	25 00	38 00	25 33	13 66	
Dearbornville,	Isaac F. Collins,	200 00	200 00					70 00	45 00	25 00	35 11	35 11		7 75
Farmington,	M. W. Stambaugh,	256 00	256 00		40 00	40 00		90 00	90 00		30 00	30 00		10 00
St. Clair,	J. S. Smart,	100 00	100 00					100 00	100 00		50 00	50 00		
Port Huron,	J. M. Arnold,	100 00	100 00					150 00	150 00		10 00	10 00		3 50
Lexington,	Thos. Seely,	216 00	216 00		35 00	35 00		75 00	75 00		13 00	13 00		
Financial Sec. W. S. F.	A. M. Fitch,	256 00	256 00		200 00	200 00		200 00	200 00		44 00	44 00		
Agent Am. B. S.	J. A. Baughman,	200 00	200 00		150 00	150 00		150 00	150 00		50 00	50 00		
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.	W. H. Collins,	$256 00	$210 00	$ 46 00	$ 80 00	$ 70 00	$ 10 00	$180 00	$145 00	$ 35 00	$ 36 00	$ 30 00	$ 6 00	$
Ann Arbor,	Geo. Smith,	240 00	215 00	35 00	par			190 00	170 00	10 00	15 00	15 00		4 19
"	M. Ilickey	100 00	100 00					75 00	75 00		25 00	25 00		2 29
*Ypsilanti,	T. H. Jacokes,	216 00	75 00	141 00				100 00	35 00	65 00	16 00	16 00		
Plymouth,	T. Wakelin,	224 00	167 01	47 00	par			80 00	72 64	7 36	13 00	13 00		4 27
"	J. H. Burnham,													
Northville,	D. C. Jacokes,	200 00	200 00											
Milford,	F. Britian,													
Livingston,	E. W. Borden,	248 00	248 00											
Ingham,	R. Dubois,	216 00	216 00		par			80 00	80 00		43 00	43 00		
Dexter,	W. Kelly,	200 00	125 76	74 24	par			84 00	84 00		16 00	16 00		
Jackson,	J. Blanchard,	216 00	119 00	97 00	par			80 00	80 00		37 00	37 00		
Grass Lake,	R. Pengelly,	216 00	122 00	94 00	45 00	65 00		100 00	100 00		20 00	20 00		
Manchester,	F. W. Warren,	200 00	166 75	33 25	par			65 00	65 00		22 00	22 00		2 00
"	A. Allen,	200 00	166 75	33 25	par			55 00	50 00		26 00	26 00		8 05
Saline,	W. E. Bigelow,	216 00	216 00					55 00	55 00		17 00	17 00		
Michigan University,	D. D. Wheedon,							94 00	94 00		47 00	47 00		
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$

* The receipts are for part of the year only.

MONROE DISTRICT.	R. R. Richards,	$224 00	$224 00	$	$	$	$	$100 00	$100 00	$	$ 40 00	$ 40 00	$	$	
Monroe,	H. Morgan,	216 00	156 00	60 00				125 00	125 00		4 00	4 00			
Dundee,	R. McConnell,	200 00	200 00		25 00	25 00		90 00	65 00	25 00	5 00	5 00			
Oakville,	S. C. Woodard,	200 00	144 81	155 19				75 00	70 22		38 00	38 00			5 06
Flat Rock,	I. C. Abbott,	200 00	200 00		30 00	30 00		50 00	50 00		30 00	30 00			
Trenton,	Alex. Campbell,	100 00	100 00					100 00	100 00						
Tecumseh,	Wm. Mothersill,	248 00	248 00		30 00	30 00		95 00	95 00		8 00	8 00			
"	J. Livington,	232 00	232 00					70 00	70 00		4 00	4 00			
Franklin,	R. Bird,	200 00	163 00	37 00	25 00	12 00	13 00	65 00	50 00	15 00	10 00	5 00	5 00		
Palmyra,	D. A. Curtis,	216 00	216 00		30 00	30 00		45 00	45 00		23 00	23 00			
Adrian,	T. C. Gardner,	272 00	272 00					170 00	170 00		25 00	25 00			5 55
Medina,	S. C. Stringham,	216 00	216 00					70 00	70 00		5 00	5 00			9 45
Rome,	N. Mount,	232 00	143 29	88 71				70 00	44 00	26 00	5 00	3 10	1 90		2 55
Hudson,	E. Steel,	240 00	180 00	60 00	54 50	54 50		100 00	75 00	25 00	5 00	5 00			2 50
"	Ira B. Card,														
South Hillsdale,	I. Taylor,	100 00	100 00					50 00	50 00		15 00	15 00			
Hillsdale,	P. G. Buchanan,	100 00	100 00					100 00	100 00		25 00	25 00			
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	
MARSHALL DISTRICT.	E. McClure,	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	
Marshall,	Wm. Mahon,	240 00	240 00		65 00	65 00		112 50	112 50		25 00	25 00			
Albion,	R. Sapp,	232 00	232 00					140 00	140 00		25 00	25 00			4 55
South Albion,	Isaac Bennett,	256 00	193 00	63 00	25 00	18 00	7 00	125 00	90 00	35 00	30 00	23 45	6 55		10 10
"	C. C. Olds,	240 00	178 38	61 62				100 00	74 30	25 70	28 00	20 00	8 00		
Tompkins,	S. Bessy,	264 00	192 00	72 00	30 00	21 00	9 00	84 00	61 70	12 30	17 00	12 00	5 00		1 80
"	J. Sommerville,	100 00	80 00	20 00				28 00	18 00	10 00	23 00	14 25	8 25		
Eaton,	A. Wakefield,	200 00	133 79	66 21	20 00	20 00		50 00	33 45	16 55	25 00	25 00			9 18
"	H. Harris,	264 00	177 39	76 61	30 00	30 00		75 00	57 53	24 47	25 00	25 00			
Battle Creek,	J. F. Davidson,	232 00	232 00					130 00	130 00		11 00	11 00			7 64
Litchfield,	V. G. Boynton,	216 00	204 52	12 48				80 00	75 00	5 00	25 00	23 50	1 50		2 55
"	W. S. Parsons,	200 00						60 00			15 00				
Cold-Water,	E. Crane,	248 00	126 35	121 65	60 00	60 00		150 00	76 00	74 00	50 00	50 00			3 59
Girard,	H. Penfield,	256 00	150 00	106 00				100 00	70 00	30 00	30 00	12 86	17 14		
Gilead,	O. D. White,	232 00	100 00	132 00	30 00	30 00		80 00	73 00	7 00	20 00	20 00			
Nottaway Mission,	A. C. Shaw,	232 00	232 00					51 00	51 00		42 00	42 00			
" "	J. Kah-bee-je,	275 00	275 00												
Wes. Sem., Albion,	C. T. Hinman,														
" "	W. H. Brockway,	256 00	256 00		100 00	100 00		150 00	150 00						
" "	J. Russell,	216 00	216 00		50 00	50 00		150 00	150 00		50 00	50 00			
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.	F. B. Bangs, P. E.	$240 00	$196 00	$ 44 00	70 00	$ 60 00	$ 10 00	100 00	$ 80 00	$ 20 00	50 00	$ 40 00	$ 10 00		
Kalamazoo,	C. A. Bruce,	256 00	256 00					100 00	100 00		40 00	40 00			

CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTERAGE.			HOUSE RENT.			TABLE EXPENSES.			TRAVELING EXPENSES.			Fifth Collection.
		Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.	Claims.	Receipts.	Deficit.	
KALAMAZOO DIS.—(*Con.*)														
Climax,	C. Mosher,	$280 00	$280 00	$	$	$	$	$ 75 00	$ 75 00	$	$ 25 00	$ 25 00	$	$ 4 25
Schoolcraft,	S. Clements,	100 00	100 00					75 00	75 00		25 00	25 00		
Centerville,	S. A. Osborn,	200 00	200 00		40 00	40 00		75 00	75 00		25 00	25 00		11 00
Constantine,	P. Sharp,	264 00	122 50	142 50				110 00	50 25	60 75	47 37	47 37		1 47
Edwardsburg,	J. Ercanbrack,	200 00	175 00	25 00	14 00	14 00		86 00	56 50	29 50	5 00	5 00		5 00
Niles,	A. J. Eldred,	216 00	216 00					100 00	100 00					
Berrien,	H. Hall,	216 00	216 00		42 00	42 00		87 00	87 00		25 00	25 00		4 54
"	S. P. Lee,	100 00	100 00											
St. Joseph,	B. F. Doughty,	200 00	126 61	74 49				55 00	30 87	29 13	45 00	27 78		
Paw Paw,	F. Gage,	200 00	200 00		50 00	50 00		100 00	100 00		20 00	20 00		
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
GRAND RIVER DISTRICT.	D. Burns,	$200 00	$130 26	$ 69 70	$ 50 00	$ 50 00	$ 50 00	$ 70 00	$ 70 00	$	$ 30 00	$ 25 00	$ 5 00	$
Grand Rapids,	F. A. Blades,	200 00	200 00		90 00	90 00		100 00	100 00		30 00	30 00		3 50
Paris,	F. Glass,	100 00	100 00					60 00	60 00		30 00	30 00		
Talmadge,	Wm. McKnight,	200 00	86 00	114 00				60 00	30 00	30 00	35 00	20 00		75
"	W. W. Johnson,	232 00	66 00	133 00				75 00	30 00	45 00	25 00	10 00	15 00	
Flat River,	E. Westlake,	216 00	100 00	116 00										
"	R. C. Crane,	100 00	48 00	52 00							20 00	20 00		
Hastings,	T. Clark,	216 00	171 50	145 05				75 00	75 00		45 00	45 00		
Allegan,	G. W. Bignell,	216 00	145 00	61 00				75 00	75 00		31 00	31 00		
Otsego,	R. Goodell,	216 00	132 50	84 50	36 00	35 00		75 00	75 00		37 50	37 50		
Lyons,	J. S. Sutton,	100 00	81 00	19 00				44 00	44 00		9 00	9 00		80
"	G. W. Hoag,	215 00	158 00	57 00	40 00	40 00		55 00	55 00		48 00	48 00		
Dewitt,	Jeremy Boynton,	200 00	92 94	108 06	45 00	19 00	26 00	80 00	22 87	57 13	25 00	10 58	14 42	50
Du Planes,	N. Fassett,	200 00	147 50	53 50				50 00	42 75	7 25	20 00	14 75	5 25	
Lansing,	O. Whitmore,													
Bennington,	D. Thomas,	248 00	168 83	81 17				75 00	75 00		25 00	22 96	2 04	
Shiawassee,	Geo. W. Brown,	216 00	100 00	106 00	30 00	30 00		60 00	60 00		35 00	35 00		3 50
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
FLINT DISTRICT.	G. Bradley, P. E.	216 00	$216 00	$	$ 55 00	$ 16 40	$ 38 60	$ 75 00	$	$ 75 00	$ 40 00	$	$ 40 00	$
Flint and Genesee,	T. B. Granger,	216 00	216 00		26 33	26 33		75 00	75 00		51 00	51 00		
Saginaw,	Wm. Blades,													
Fentonville,	G. W. Bellknapp,	232 00	160 00	72 00	25 00	25 00		50 00	50 00		25 00	25 00		

Lapeer,	S. Calkins,	200 00	150 00					65 00	65 00		40 00	40 00			
Almont,	J. Jennings,	216 00	216 00					100 00	100 00		18 00	18 00			
Lakeville,	E. D. Young,	232 00	73 80	156 20	20 00	20 00		65 00	65 00		35 00	35 00			3 16
Romeo,	M. B. Camburn,	200 00	200 00					75 00	75 00		35 00	35 00			
Oxford,	A. Bell,	216 00	162 80	43 20	40 00	32 00	8 00	70 00	56 00	14 00	39 00	31 00	7 00		
"	S. Hendrickson,	100 00	100 00					44 00	44 00		4 00	4 00			
Richmond,	H. N. Brown,	200 00	152 00	48 00				55 00	55 00		25 00	25 00			31
Kazier Mission,	J. Cogshall,	232 00	232 00					58 00	58 00		60 00	60 00			
" "	H. Jackson,	200 00	200 00												
Janesville Indian Miss.	P. O. Johnson,	232 00	232 00					90 00	90 00		39 27				
		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	
INDIAN MISSION DIST.	J. H. Pitezel, P. E.	$224 00	$224 00	$	$	$	$	150 00	$150 00	$	$	$	$	$	
Sault Ste Marie,	S. Steel,	288 00	288 00					150 00	150 00		65 00	65 00			
" "	P. Marksman,	200 00	200 00					75 00	75 00						
Kewawenon,	N. Barnum,	200 00	200 00					150 00	150 00						
Sandy Lake,	S. Spates,	232 00	232 00					100 00	100 00						
"	J. W. Holt,	216 00	216 00					100 00	100 00		90 00	90 00			
Eagle River,	W. Benson,	200 00	200 00					150 00	150 00		60 00	60 00			
Ontonagon,	E. H. Day,	232 00	232 00		30 00	30 00		125 00	125 00		25 00	25 00			
		$	$		$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	

SUPERANNUATE.

NAMES.	CLAIMS.
L. Grant	224 00
R. Triggs	224 00
W. Todd	200 00
A. Billings	224 00
J. V. Watson,	264 00
J. Gray	264 00
A. Minnis	216 00
Wm. Taylor	232 00
Wm. P. Judd	256 00

NAMES.	CLAIMS.
Widow Staples	$140 00
" Fox	100 00
" Ruark	100 00
" Chaplin	100 00
" Brakeman	188 00
" King,	200 00
" Mason	100 00
W. C. Comfort	232 00

TABLE III.—SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

Of the Michigan Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for the year 1851, furnished and certified by Elijah H. Pilcher, Secretary.

Appointments.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in the Library.	No. of Bible Classes.	Scholars in Infant Classes.	Expenses of the schools this year.	Raised for benevolent purposes.	S. S. Advocates taken.	Conversions.
Detroit District.										
Detroit { 1st Church,	1	35	250	679	1	94	$	$ 9 20	105	10
Detroit { 2nd Church,	3	50	271	360	4	50	25 00	2 50	50	10
Detroit { Lafayette street,	1	17	80	320	1		8 00	2 00	13	2
Birmingham,	5	30	140	200		40	25 00		21	
Pontiac,	1	24	125	230		20	23 00	5 06	25	7
Utica,	5	70	228	813	1		20 00		30	
Mount Clemens,										
New Haven,	3	17	175	425	3		10 00		2	1
Dearbornville,	8	85	380	1317	1		36 00	1 00	55	7
Farmington,	3	20	130	500		10			3	
St. Clair,	3	30	180	250	1				63	
Port Huron,	2	36	165	600	1		75 00	1 00	75	
Lexington,	2	17	80	100	2		15 00		40	
	35	431	2204	5794	15	214	$237 00	$ 20 76	481	39
Ann Arbor Dist.										
Ann Arbor,	1	10	103	380	1	15	$ 30 00	$		
" 2d Church,	3	27	190	225	1	15	5 00	5 00		1
Ypsilanti,	1	16	80	300			24 00		59	
Plymouth,										
Northville,										
Milford,										
Livingston,	5	54	213	696	3		9 00	2 59	20	
Ingham,	10	101	390	1740	2	8	30 00	1 00	22	
Dexter,	1	9	60	200	1	15		1 00	31	
Jackson,	1	17	140	350		30	14 00			
Grass Lake,	1	12	36	120			1 50			
Manchester,	3	22	168	285	1		2 30	3 82	20	
Saline,	2	22	134	200			31 00		31	
	28	290	1514	4496	9	83	$146 80	$ 13 41	183	1
Monroe District.										
Monroe,	1	12	100	250		60	$ 7 00	5 50	28	3
Dundee,	7	67	312	962					40	
Oakville,	2	10	80	550				3 59		
Flat Rock,	5	65	272	1032	1		55 20		21	7
Trenton,	1	12	80	300		12			20	
Tecumseh,	4	24	80	200			10 00	31		3
Franklin,										
Palmyra,	3	15	65	340	2		43			
Adrian,	2	31	266	360	4	50	26 00		50	12
Medina,	9	45	275	800	3	20	25 00	50 00	166	30
Rome,	7	88	282	775		25	15 00	1 00		
Hudson,	7	68	291	707		4	24 16			
Hillsdale,	1	12	70	125	1		7 00		21	8
South Hillsdale,										
	49	449	2173	6401	11	171	$169 79	$ 60 40	346	63
Marshall District.										
Marshall,	1	29	210	350		45	36 00		31	3
Albion,	1	20	116	150	1	6	18 00	3 00	51	
South Albion,	4	47	158	295	1		11 00		15	
Tompkins,	5	45	130	400				1 52	21	
Eaton,	8	91	310	618	3	40	20 24		54	9
Battle Creek,	1	28	106	280	2	10	11 00	2 20	51	
Burlington,										
Litchfield,	6	52	220	580			25 00		10	6
Coldwater,	2	18	144	250		25		2 71	2	
Girard,	4	36	160	340	1			6 66	52	4
Gilead,	2	18	75	130		20	1 00	1 00	24	4
Nottaway Ind. Miss.										
	34	384	1629	3393	8	146	$122 24	$ 17 09	311	26

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Kalamazoo Dist.										
Kalamazoo,	1	16	75	270		20	$ 15 00			
Climax,	7	67	750	750	7	10	4 75	$ 1 00	10	
Schoolcraft,									42	
Centreville,	6	40	200	1050	2		8 00		50	
Constantine,	3	30	145	201			12 00	6 00	1	
Edwardsburg,	5	37	175	592			6 10	1 25	23	
Niles,	1	22	95	150	4	15	1 00		21	
Berrien,	13	105	325	940	3	19	20 00	11 75		8
St. Joseph,	6	46	207	687		22		3 10	10	
Paw Paw,										
Wayne,	3	16	71	172						2
	45	379	2043	4812	16	86	$ 66 85	$ 23 10	157	5
Grand River Dist.										
Grand Rapids,	1	12	120	210	1	10	15 00	3 00	21	3
Paris,	1	9	20	80						
Talmadge,	3	16	80	397	3		1 50	92		
Muskegon,										
Flat River,										
Hastings,	7	42	205	355					6	
Allegan,	7	40	107	306			24 00	1 25	53	
Otsego,										
Lyons,	9	75	270	900	4		30 00		55	
Dewitt,	5	58	176	296	2	8	39 61	5 70	10	18
Duplains,	5	45	120	576	1	20	1 00	1 54	25	
Lansing,	3	22	100	322	1	10	28 28	1 91		7
Bennington,	6	34	115	267	1		7 50	2 00		
Shiawassee,										
	47	353	1313	3809	13	48	$145 89	$ 16 32	170	28
Flint District.										
Flint & Genesee,	9	90	500	1500	4		14 00		37	8
Saganaw,										
Fentonville,	8	65	425	800	1	2	17 20		20	1
Oxford,										
Hadley,										
Lapeer,										
Almont,	3	20	100	400						
Lakeville,	4	27	150	330		13	32 18	1 00	3	
Romeo,	1	16	158	255	4		22 88		51	
Richmond,	6	22	100	300			26 00	1 25	33	
Kazier Mission,	3	10	90	120						
Janesville Ind. Miss.	1	3	30							
	35	253	1523	3705	9	20	$112 26	$ 2 25	144	9
Indian Miss. Dist.										
Sault Ste Marie,	1	2	60	200			$ 16 38	$ 15 00	13	1
Kewawenon,	1	6	17	100						
Sandy Lake and Mill Lac,	1	2	30	150					2	
Eagle River,	1	20	35	30	2	10	7 00			
Ontonagon,	2	2	28	80			3 00		2	
	6	32	170	560	2	10	$ 26 38	$ 15 00	17	1

RECAPITULATION.

Detroit District,	35	431	2204	5794	15	214	$237 00	$ 20 76	481	39
Ann Arbor "	28	290	1514	4496	9	83	146 80	13 41	183	1
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Flint "	35	253	1523	3705	9	20	112 26	2 25	144	9
Ind. Miss. "	6	32	170	560	2	10	26 38	15 00	17	1
	277	2571	12569	32970	83	778	$1027 21	$168 33	1809	172

MEMOIRS.

Rev. Octavus Mason died in great peace and christian triumph, October 2, 1850, in the fifty-sixth year of his age and the seventeenth year of his itinerant ministry. He was a very devoted christian, a laborious minister, a kind and affectionate husband and father. But he has gone to rest—his labors and sufferings are ended, and he who bore the cross of Christ for many years, now wears the crown. His testimony on his dying bed will clearly show his unwavering confidence in the cause of Christ. Said he to a minister present, "Preach Christ—preach Christ;" again, "He is all my trust."

Rev. George King died, in full hope of eternal life, October 27, 1850, in the vigor of manhood, and in the midst of ministerial usefulness. He was born January 14, 1816. He became a christian and a Methodist in his early youth. He lived and labored for God, and died as the christian dieth—in peace.

MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTEENTH SESSION

OF THE

MICHIGAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

HELD IN THE

VILLAGE OF NILES, SEPT. 15-22, 1852.

DETROIT:
FREE PRESS BOOK AND JOB OFFICE PRINT.
1852.

To the Members of the Michigan Annual Conference M. E. Church:

Dear Brethren—We as your committee have endeavored to present you as perfect a copy of the results of our conference as could be done in so short a time, for we have brought them forward as quick as possible.

Yours in Christ,

E. H. PILCHER,
S. CLEMENTS,
S. REED,
} Committee.

Detroit, Sept. 30, 1852.

MINUTES.

Conference met at 8 o'clock, A. M., Bishop LIVE SCOTT in the chair. After reading the scriptures, singing and prayer by the Bishop, the list of members was called by E. H. PILCHER, secretary of last year.

The conference then proceeded to elect a secretary by ballot, when E. H. PILCHER was declared duly elected.

On motion SETH REED was appointed assistant secretary.

The conference then proceeded to appoint the following standing committees, viz:

1. *Stewards*—R. Sapp, A. Cambell, C. C. Olds.
2. *Public Worship*—F. B. Bangs, A. J. Eldred.
3. *Missions*—J. Shaw, W. H. Collins, R. R. Richards, D. Burns, F. B. Bangs, G. Bradley, and J. H. Pitezel.
4. *Mission Auditing Committee*—M. B. Camburn, W. H. Brockway, H. Hall.
5. *On Memoirs*—T. C. Gardner, H. Penfield, O. Whitmore.
6. *On Education*—C. T. Hinman, A. M. Fitch, H. Morgan, D. C. Jacokes, M. B. Camburn.
7. *On Sabbath Schools*—E. Crane, R. Goodell, J. S. Smart.
8. *On Temperance*—I. C. Abbott, J. F. Davidson, S. A. Osborn.
9. *On Bible Cause*—G. Smith, I. Bennett, W. P. Judd.
10. *Publication of Minutes*—E. H. Pilcher, S. Clements, S. Reed.
11. *Post Offices*—Eli Westlake.
12. *Tract Cause*—Wm. Kelley, A. C. Shaw, E. H. Day.

Bethel Cause—Jas. V. Watson, W. H. Brockway, R. Sapp.

The usual questions were asked and answered as follows, to wit:

QUESTION 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER. Erastus R. Hascall, Solomon S. Littlefield, Henry H. Todd, Jacob Dobbins, William Clayson, Wm. Stafford, Thomas J. Joslyn, Sewell P. Barker, John J. Whitmore—10.

QUESTION 2. *Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER. P. S. Donelson, Lee M'Quig, S. P. Warner, James Measures, Alfred A. Dunten, Wm. H. Perrine, Jesse E. M'Alister, J. W. Robinson, Lewis W. Earl, Thomas H. Bignell, A. R. Bartlett, J. H. Harder, F. W. May, Thomas Clark, John Livington, Henry Jackson—16.

QUESTION 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

ANSWER. Oren D. White, W. W. Johnson, Wm. Mahon, S. P. Lee, Rufus C. Crane, Jeremy Boynton, John H. Burnham—7.

QUES. 4. *Who are the Deacons?*

Ans. J. M. Arnold, E. D. Young, Isaac Taylor, S. Henrdickson, G. N. Belknapp, Samuel Clements, Jr., A. Wakefield, James Summerville, R. Goodell, C. C. Olds, O. D. White, W. W. Johnson, W. Mahon, S. P. Lee, R. C. Crane, J. Boynton, John H. Burnham—17.

Ques. 5. *Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?*

Ans. Geo. Bignell, P. O. Johnson, Wm. Glass, Geo. W. Hoag, C. Mosher, N. Abbott—6.

Ques. 6. *Who have located this year?*

Ans. Wm. Glass, John Russel, A. Minnis—3.

Ques. 7. *Who are the supernumerary preachers?*

Ans. None.

Ques. 8. *Who are the superannuated or worn out preachers?*

Ans. Loring Grant, R. Triggs, B. Sabin, A. Billings, John Gray, Wm. Todd—6.

Ques. 9. *Who have been expelled from the connection this year?*

Ans. Michael W. Stambaugh.

Ques. 10. *Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?*

Ans. Caleb A. Bruce.

Ques. 11. *Were all the preachers' characters examined?*

Ans. This was strictly attended to, by calling over their names before the conference.

Ques. 12. *Who have died this year?*

Ans. John Ercanbrack, Judson D. Collins. (See memoirs.)

Ques. 13. *What is the number of members, and what of probationers in society?*

Ans. (See table I.)

Ques. 14. *What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiency of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?*

Ans. $6,546 00. (See table II.)

Ques. 15. *What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

Ans. $639 25.

STEWARDS' REPORT.

The deficiency of quarterage this year is - - - - $6,546 00

To meet which the Stewards have received the following sums, viz:

From Book Concern,	$338 30	
" Chartered Fund	120 00	
" Circuits and Stations,	158 19	
" Collection at Conference,	22 77	
		$639 25

Which sum is appropriated as follows:

Robert Triggs,	$55 58	Alvin Billings	55 58
John Gray,	65 51	W. C. Comfort,	57 57
Wm. Todd,	49 63	L. D. Price,	57 57
T. H. Jacokes,	53 60	Widow Staples,	34 74
Widow Fox,	24 81	" Chaplin	24 81
" Brakeman,	46 65	" King,	24 81
" Ruark,	24 81	Flavel Brittan,	59 55
Stationary	4 00		
			$639 25

R. SAPP,
A. CAMPBELL,
C. C. OLDS,
} *Stewards.*

QUES. 16. *What has been contributed for the support of missions, what for the Sunday School Union, what for the publication and circulation of tracts, and what to aid the American Bible Society?*

ANS. For Missions, $2,284 76; Sunday School Union, $100 69; American Bible Society, $841 08. (Treas. Report.)

QUES. 17. *Where and when shall our next conference be held?*

ANS. At Detroit, Sept. 14th, 1853.

QUES. 18. *Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

ANS. DETROIT DISTRICT—J. A. BAUGHMAN, P. E.

Detroit.
- 1st Church—*W. H. Collins.*
- 2d Church—*C. C. Olds.*
- French Mission—*T. Carter.*
- Lafayette Street Miss.—*M. Hickey.*
- City Mission—*R. C. Crawford.*

Trenton—*L. D. Price.*
Birmingham—*Isaac C. Abbott.*
Pontiac—*G. Taylor.*
Washington—*F. Brittan.*
Mount Clemens—*D. C. Jacokes.*
New Haven—*T. Seeley.*
St. Clair—J. M. Arnold.
Newport—(To be supplied.)
Port Huron—*H. Law.*
Lexington—W. W. Johnson.

A. M. Fitch, Financial Secretary of the Western Seamen's Friend Society.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—W. E. BIGELOW, P. E.

A. Arbor,
- 1st Church—*J. Blanchard.*
- 2d Church—*R. Bird.*

Ypsilanti—*S. Reed.*
Dearbornville—*S. Bessey.* (One to be supplied.)
Plymouth—*E. W. Borden.* (One to be supplied.)
Northville—John H. Burnham.
Farmington—*Isaac F. Collins.* (One to be supplied.)
Milford—J. Levington. (One to be supplied.)
Howell—*E. Westlake.*
Unadilla—*R. Goodell.*
Mason—H. H. Todd.
Dexter—*W. P. Judd.*
Manchester—*C. Mosher.* (One to be supplied.)
Saline—J. S. Smart.
Clinton—*D. A. Curtis.*

MONROE DISTRICT—R. R. RICHARDS. P. E.

Monroe—*T. C. Gardner.*
Dundee—*P. Sharp.*
Bedford—W. Clayson.
Oakville—E. R. Hascall.
Flat Rock—*S. C. Stringham.*
Ridgeway—*F. W. Warren.*
Tecumseh—*J. F. Davidson.*
Adrian,
- 1st Church—*E. H. Pilcher.*
- 2d Church—*T. B. Granger.*

Medina—*S. C. Woodard*, S. S. Littlefield.
Palmyra—Isaac Taylor.
Franklin—L. M'Quigg.
Liberty—S. P. Warner.
Rome—*R. M'Connel.*

Jas. V. Watson, Editor of the North Western Christian Advocate..

MARSHALL DISTRICT—R. SAPP, P. E.

Marshall—*H. Morgan.*
Albion—*F. A. Blades.*
Eaton Rapids—*Isaac Bennett.* (One to be supplied.)
Charlotte—S. P. Barker. (One to be supplied.)
Jackson—W. H. Perrine, S. Clements.
Grass Lake—*M. B. Camburn.*
Battle Creek—*W. Kelley.*
Union City—*F. Gage.*
Burlington—*W. G. Stonix.*
Galesburg—A. A. Dunton.
South Albion—*A. C. Shaw.* (One to be supplied.)
Marengo—(To be supplied.)
Nottaway Ind. Mission—*E. H. Day.* (One to be supplied.)

C. T. Hinman, President of the Albion Female Collegiate Institute.
N. Abbott and P. S. Donelson, Professors.
W. H. Brockway, General Agent.

Coldwater District—John K. Gillett, P. E.

Coldwater—J. Sommerville.
Girard—*V. G. Boynton.*
Gilead—J. E. McAlister.
Sturges—J. Boynton.
Constantine—F. May.
Centreville—*H. Penfield.* (One to be supplied.)
Jonesville—*E. Crane.*
Litchfield—*N. Mount.* (One to be supplied.)
Hillsdale—*A. Campbell.*
South Hillsdale—(To be supplied.)
Hudson—*W. Mothersill.*
Addison—J. Dobbins.

Kalamazoo District—F. B. Bangs, P. E.

Kalamazoo—*J. H. Pitezel.*
Otsego—A. Wakefield.
Allegan—*F. Glass.*
Ganges—L. W. Earl.
Schoolcraft—*R. Pengelly.*
Paw Paw—*W. Taylor.*
Dowagiac—W. Stafford.
Niles—*T. H. Jacokes.*
Edwardsburg—*H. Hull.* (One to be supplied.)
New Buffalo—J. W. Robinson.
Buchanan—*S. A. Osborn*, S. Hendrickson.
St. Joseph—(To be supplied.)
Black River—*B. F. Doughty.*

Grand River District—D. Burns, P. E.

Grand Rapids—*A. J. Eldred.*
Paris—R. C. Crane.
Talmage—*W. C. Comfort.*
Sparta—J. H. Harder.
Hastings—*G. Bignell.*
Prairieville—T. H. Bignell.
Flat River—*D. Thomas.* (One to be supplied.)
Greenville—*N. Fussett.*
Lyons—*O. Whitmore*, A. R. Bartlett.
Lansing—*L. Chatfield.*
DeWitt, *J. S. Sutton.*
Du Plains—(To be supplied.)
Williamson—(To be supplied.)
Muskegon—*G. W. Hoag.*
Grand River, Ind. Miss., } O. D. White, Henry Jackson.

Flint District—G. Smith, P. E.

Flint—W. Mahon.
Flushing—G. N. Belknap.
Grand Blanc—S. P. Lee.
Genesee—J. J. Whitmore.
Fentonville—*G. W. Brown.*
Clarkston—S. Calkins. (One to be supplied.)
Oxford—B. F. Pritchard. (One to be supplied.
Hadley—*T. Wakelin.*
Romeo—*J. Jennings.*
Almont—*Israel Cogshall.*
Armada—*J. W. Holt.*
Lapeer—*H. N. Brown.*
Shiawassee—*A. Bell*, T. Clark.
Bennington—J. W. Cawthorn, T. J. Joslyn.
Saginaw City—(To be supplied.)
Saginaw German Mission—(To be supplied.
Lower Saginaw—*G. Bradley.*
Kazier Ind. Mission—E. D. Young.
Janesville Ind. Miss.—P. O. Johnson, J. Kahbeege.

Lake Superior Mission District—J. Shaw, P. E.

Sault Ste. Marie Ind. Mission—*E. Steel*, P. Marksman.
Kewawenon—*R. Dubois.*
Fon du Lac—(To be supplied.)
Eagle River—*S. Steel.*
Eagle Harbor—*N. Barnum.*
Ontonagon—J. Measures. (One to be supplied.)
Carp River—*W. Benson.*

P. G. Buchanan, transferred to Oregon Conference.

MEMOIRS.

1. Rev. John Ercanbrack died at his residence, in Bronson, Mich., March 7, 1852, aged sixty-one years and eleven months.

He was converted to God in early life, and joined the M. E. Church. He entered the Christian ministry in 1817, and continued in the same until death.

In his various fields of labor, and in the different stations which he occupied in the Church of God, he acquitted himself honorably and usefully; and his name is as ointment poured forth. Few men in western Michigan have been more beloved than this venerable Father in Israel. He emphatically loved to preach the gospel. *He died in peace and holy triumph.* May his mantle fall on the surviving members of the Michigan Conference.

Judson Dwight Collins, Superintendent of the China Mission, was born in the town of Rose, Wayne Co., N. Y., and came to Michigan when eight years of age. He was blessed with an early religious education, which secured his youth from vicious habits, and eventuated in his conversion, under the gospel ministrations of Rev. E. H. Pilcher, at the age of fourteen, when he united with the M. E. Church. Love of learning seemed to be an inherent principle of his nature, and manifested itself in persevering, successful efforts to obtain a sound collegiate education. He entered the Michigan University at its first organization, in 1841, and graduated with high honor with its first class in 1845. In college he maintained his christian integrity, and, by his uniform piety, his well-governed life, and consistent efforts to promote the interests of religion, commanded the respect and excited the admiration of his friends and associates. He labored efficiently as Bible Distributor, S. S. Superintendent, Class Leader, Exhorter, and Local Preacher. He was received on trial in the Michigan Conference, in Sept. 1845, and appointed a teacher in the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion. At the session of Conference in 1846, he was sent to Tompkins circuit with the expectation of receiving an appointment as Missionary to China, which he did in the spring of 1847, when he immediately set out for the scene of his future labors, where he arrived in August of that year. During three years and nine months, which comprised the time of his stay in China, he devoted himself to his work with a zeal and earnestness that knew no limits, but his ability and strength. But his robust and vigorous constitution yielded to the unfriendly influences of the climate, and a

severe attack of disease brought him nigh to the grave, so that when the state of his health permitted it, in accordance with medical advice, he returned to his native land—to regain his health, as he fondly hoped, for the prosecution of his work in that great empire of idolatry, but, alas! to suffer and die. He reached Michigan in time to visit his brethren of the Conference at the session of 1851, when the entire change wrought in his appearance, his emaciated looks, and above all the joy and tenderness with which he greeted them, melted them to tears. For eight months he patiently suffered the will of God, though his grief at the thought that he could no more return to China to prosecute his missionary labors, was more painful than the prospect of death, and, in May, 1852, at his father's house, in Lyndon, Washtenaw Co., Mich., surrounded by his friends, and amid the sweet associations of home, he quietly passed away from the scenes and toils of earth to the infinite rewards and felicities of Heaven, at the early age of twenty-eight.

Bro. Collins was a man strong both in his bodily and mental constitution. His self-preparation for life's earnest work included physical as well as intellectual training. His understanding was clear, sound, powerful, though not rapid, in its action. His reflection and reasoning faculties were searching and comprehensive, ever reaching after principles and tracing out their connections. His conversational powers eminently qualified him for imparting knowledge, indicating in their action logical thought and accurate perceptions, rather than descriptive fancy and rhetorical abilities. His speech was instructive rather than amusing, his language argumentative rather than eloquent. The entire structure of his mind was Saxon and philosophic, positive in its qualities and high-toned in its sentiments. His capacities, in a word, were those of thought, of reason, of energy, of action.

Bro. Collins' religious character was of the highest order, combining the noblest principles with the purest affections. His was a manly, cheerful piety, an unwavering integrity of purpose, a lofty aim and end of action, harmonious attributes of excellence, elevated conceptions of duty, a heart fixed upon the CROSS, and a life radiant with purity. His christian love was rich in its elements, essentially missionary in its character, intense and regular in its action; and his christian faith was simple and majestic, allying his existence in blissful fellowship with the infinite existence of JEHOVAH-JESUS. His goodness of heart was truly great and fruitful of all active virtues. In him was not only a bare rational *perception*, but also a real *consciousness* of the "beauty of holiness."

As a man, he was manly; as a christian, he was Christ-like; as a minister, though youthful, he yet possessed elements of great ability and usefulness, and, as a missionary, he was a model. Having a stout physical frame, a richly-endowed, well-balanced, cultivated mind, and a temperament susceptible of warm and high emotions yet singularly free from rashness and excitement, had he lived to develop his mind and character in the missionary work, he would have been a star of the first magnitude in the dark heavens of China. Years before our Church established her mission there, and while prosecuting his collegiate studies, he pursued a course of reading on China preparatory to

a whole life of missiouary labor among its benighted millions, and his mind had no rest until it was actually surrounded by their darkness and misery. No temporary impulse led him thither, no transient fervid feelings urged him to a life of toil in that distant land, but a permanent conviction of duty possessed his mind, one great idea of supreme service to Christ controlled his whole existence, and carried all his thoughts, all his affections, all his impulses, to that extensive territory of heathenism, and his martyr-like attachments to his work were only loosened by death—to be transferred from the cross to a crown of righteousness. In the very embraces of death, when Heaven was opening its glories upon his mind, his heart was with his brethren in that vast field of missions—*he preferred to die where he so earnestly desired to live.* As a missionary, then, we embalm and cherish his memory in our holiest recollections of human character and excellence. While the truth and love of Christ dwell within us, in our heart of hearts we will remember THEE, JUDSON DWIGHT COLLINS. Thy name shall not perish, and thy beloved China shall be redeemed! Thanks to the INFINITE for the legacy of thy character and example to the Michigan Conference.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

FIRST YEAR.

Bible Doctrines—T. H. Jacokes.
Watson's Institutes, First Part—S. A. Osborn.
Wesley's Plain Account of Christian Perfection—M. Hickey.
English Grammar—J. Jennings.
Modern Geography—G. Bradley.
Essay or Sermon—T. C. Gardner.

SECOND YEAR.

Bible Sacraments—P. Sharp.
Watson's Institutes, Second Part—S. C. Stringham.
Peck's Christian Perfection—H. Penfield.
Fletcher's Appeal—J. F. Davidson.
Methodist Discipline—A. Campbell.
Stevens' Church Polity—E. W. Borden.
Essay or Sermon—M. B. Camburn.

THIRD YEAR.

Bible History and Chronology—L. Chatfield.
Watson's Institutes, Third Part—W. H. Brockway.
Butler's Analogy—N. Abbott.
Hibbard on Baptism—E. Westlake.
Ruter's Church History—O. Whitmore.
Newman's Rhetoric—J. H. Pitezel.
Hedge's Logic—D. Thomas.
Essay or Sermon—F. A. Blades.

FOURTH YEAR.

Review of the Whole Course—E. H. Pilcher.
Watson's Institutes, Fourth Part—P. O. Johnson.
Claud's Essay—L. D. Price.
Horne's Introduction—H. Morgan.
Essay or Sermon—W. Kelley.

MISCELLANEOUS.

EDUCATION.

1. *Resolved,* That we will attempt to raise, by donation, or otherwise, the sum of *ten thousand dollars,* which shall be called "the Michigan Annual Conference Fund," for the promotion of Biblical learning in the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion.

2. *Resolved,* That Wellington H. Collins shall be a committee to receive and safely invest said moneys, or any part of them, subject, at any time, to the order of this Conference.

3. *Resolved,* That none of the principal of said fund shall ever be expended for any purpose whatsoever; and that the annual interest arising therefrom, shall annually be expended for the support of a Professor of Biblical Learning, in connection with the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion, which Professor shall be elected by this Conference.

4. *Resolved,* That each and every minister of this Conference is hereby constituted an agent to solicit donations to said fund, and is earnestly requested to co-operate in this enterprise, with the committee hereinafter named.

5. *Resolved,* That a committee of five be appointed, to report, at the next session of this body, for its adoption, a suitable course of instruction, in connection with the said professional chair; and that this committee have full powers to make all arrangements, and to furnish all necessary instructions to the agents, for the promotion and completion of this enterprise; and, also, that they be instructed to meet for this purpose as soon after the adjournment of this body as practicable.

[C. T. Hinman, R. Sapp, T. C. Gardner, E. H. Pilcher, and L. Chatfield, were appointed.]

6. *Resolved,* That the above enterprise is affectionately and most earnestly recommended to the favorable consideration of the members of our church, and they are hereby urgently solicited to contribute to the fund.

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8. *Resolved,* That we have increasing cause of thankfulness to God, for the growing prosperity and usefulness of the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion, and the Albion Female Collegiate Institute; that these institutions have a strong hold upon our hearts, and that they shall receive our most ardent prayers.

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10. *Resolved,* That it is the duty of each preacher in this Conference, to visit all the District Schools within the bounds of his circuit

or station, once a quarter at least, if practicable, for the purpose of becoming personally acquainted with the scholars, and for religious instruction and prayer.

WESLEYAN SEMINARY AT ALBION, AND FEMALE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

VISITORS.

His Ex. Gov. R. McClelland,	Rev. M. B. Camburn,
Col. T. Fitzgerald,	" D. Burns,
Rev. J. V. Watson,	" T. C. Gardner,
" H. Morgan,	" D. Thomas,
" J. Blanchard,	" C. C. Olds,
" G. Smith,	" Mr. Gelston,
" Geo. C. Curtis, (Adrian,)	" Mr. Potter,
" J. S. Smart,	" W. P. Judd,
" I. C. Abbott,	Hon. Ross Wilkins,
" M. Hickey,	" Ira Mayhew.

TERMS AMD VACATIONS.

First Term.—Commences Thursday, Sept. 9th, and closes Wednesday, Dec. 18th.
Second Term.—Commences Thursday, Dec. 30th, and closes Wednesday, April 8th, 1853.
Third Term.—Commences Thursday, April 23d, and closes Wednesday, July 29th.
Commencement, July 29th.
Seminary exhibition, April 8th.

COLLECTIONS.

1. For Tract Cause,.....December.
2. Sunday School Union,.....April.
3. Missions,.....May.
4. Fifth Collection,.....August.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

1. *Resolved,* That Sabbath Schools, when properly conducted, are among the first instrumentalities for diffusing a knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, and accomplishing the great ends of the Christian ministry.

2. *Resolved,* That whenever at all practicable, it is highly desirable that our Sabbath Schools should be continued through the whole year.

3. *Resolved,* That we ought to urge upon the members of the church, both male and female, as an imperative duty, wherever practicable, to take an active part in conducting our Sabbath Schools.

4. *Resolved,* That the leading and legitimate object of Sabbath Schools, is, or should be, the conversion of the children. Therefore, it is our duty, as ministers, often to impress this upon the minds of superintendents and teachers.

5. *Resolved,* That we do, as a Conference, and will, as individuals, recommend our own Sabbath School books in preference to others.

6. *Resolved,* That we highly approve the practice of some of the P. E.'s, in addressing the Sabbath Schools, and earnestly recommend their example as worthy of imitation by all.

7. *Resolved,* That we will continue, and increase our efforts, to give circulation to our most excellent Sunday School Advocate, and, as far as practicable, introduce it into every family connected with our congregations.

TABLE I.—*Numbers in Society.*

STATIONS.	Members.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	5th Collect'n.
DETROIT DISTRICT.				
Detroit. 1st Church	258	33	3	$23 00
Detroit. 2d Church	122	10	2	4 00
Detroit. French Mis	10	8	1	
Detroit. L'fayette st	40		1	
Detroit. City Mis.	54	46		1 00
Birmingham	206	7	2	
Pontiac	125	15	1	5 25
Utica	109			
Washington	100		2	
Mt Clemens	90	2		
New Haven	75	9	1	
Dearbornville	297	24	2	5 50
Farmington	309	26	6	
St Clair	76	11	1	6 00
Newport	90	10	2	
Port Huron	70	29		
Lexington	80	12	3	
	2111	242	27	
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—				
A Arbor—1st Ch	150	10	2	
2d Ch	73	53		1 00
Ypsilanti	142	7		
Plymouth	277	7	3	8 50
Northville	60	2	1	
Milford	255	15	4	
Livingston	251	100	4	
Ingham	250	22	1	
Dexter	96	2	1	
Jackson	80	5	2	
Grass Lake	175	77		
Manchester	218	24	2	1 52
Saline	193	32	4	
	2220	356	24	
MONROE DISTRICT—				
Monroe	85	8		
Dundee	187	5	1	
Oakville	187	5	2	
Flat Rock	190	12	3	
Trenton	50	7		6 00
Tecumseh	80	16		
Clinton	86	4		
Ridgeway	116	9	3	6 00
Franklin	98	2	2	
Palmyra	78	9	2	1 50
Adrian—1st Ch	191	9	1	4 70
2d Ch	125	33		
Medina	288	66	3	1 00
Rome	221	33	2	
Hudson	210	50	1	
Hillsdale	70			
South Hillsdale	72	8	4	
	2344	276	24	
MARSHALL DISTRICT—				
Marshall	134	6	2	6 10
Albion	184	15	4	5 16
Eaton Rapids	285	15	3	
Charlotte	253	17	5	6 14
Battle Creek	218	8	2	4 68
Burlington	226	59	3	10 75
Marengo	96	15		10 80
South Albion	371	52	4	9 69
Litchfield	336	52		
Jonesville	40	10	2	
Coldwater	127	22	3	
Girard	138		1	
Gilead	199		1	
Nottaway Ind Miss	w 4 / Ind 176	Ind 50	Ind 1	
	w Ind 2521 176	w Ind 271 50	31	

STATIONS.	Members	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	5th Collect'n.
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.				
Kalamazoo	105		2	
Climax	181	22	4	4 00
Schoolcraft	93	1	2	
Centreville	366	56	8	5 36
Sturges	54	3	2	2 00
Constantine	167	16	2	3 00
Edwardsburg	214	20	2	3 25
Niles	70	3		
Berrien	286	30	6	
St. Joseph	137	30		1 80
Paw Paw	80			
Wayne	129	7	1	
	1880	188	29	
GRAND RIVER DISTRICT—				
Grand Rapids	115	12	1	
Paris	100	6		
Talmage	120	16	4	
Flat River	185	5		
Greenville	95	15	1	
Hastings	258	61		
Allegan	74	12	2	
Ganges	34	3	1	
Otsego	110	9	3	5 00
Lyons	261		2	
DeWitt	150	15	2	
Duplains	106	13	2	
Lansing	60	2		
Williamson	46	4		
	1613	173	18	
FLINT DISTRICT—				
Flint	100	6	4	
Grand Blanc	80	2	1	
Flushing	87	13	2	
Genesee	103	9	1	3 75
Saginaw	29	6		1 00
Fentonville	256	29	5	
Oxford	217	13	5	
Clarkeston	79	5	1	3 55
Hadley	139	6	2	
Lapeer	92		1	
Almont	200	19	1	2 40
Romeo	163	6		
Armada	110	18	2	
Bennington	142	28	4	
Shiawassee	168	26	1	
	Ind	Ind		
Kazier Ind Miss	205	6	2	
Janesville Indi'n Mission	Ind w 183 16	Ind 15		
	w Ind 1982 388	w Ind 186 21	32	
INDIAN MISS. DISTRICT—				
	Ind w 60 6	Ind 12		
Saut Ste Marie	Ind w 47 3	Ind 11		
Kewawenon		51	15	
Eagle River		25	2	
Ontonagon		9	15	
Carp River				
	w Ind 94 107	w Ind 30 23	2	

RECAPITULATION.

Members	14,765 whites	671	Indians
Probationers	1,722 "	94	"
Local Preachers	187 "	—	"
Total this year	16,674 "	765	"
last year	17,019 "	723	"
Decrease	345	42	Increase

TABLE II.—*Stewards' Report.*

CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTER'GE.		HOUSE RENT.		TABLE EXP.	
		Claims.	Rec'ts.	Claims.	Rec'ts.	Claims.	Rec'ts.
Detroit Dist.	James Shaw, P. E.	248 00	200 00	125 00	125 00	175 00	150 00
1st Church,	E. H. Pilcher,	256 00	256 00	110 00	110 00	234 00	234 00
2d Church,	John Russel,	116 00	116 00	P		259 00	259 00
French Mission,	Thomas Carter,	200 00	200 00			300 00	300 00
La Fayette Street,	George Taylor,	240 00	240 00	P		130 00	130 00
City Mission,	Thomas Wakelin,	224 00	156 86	42 00	42 00	150 00	125 00
Birmingham,	R. C. Crawford,	200 00	200 00	P		90 00	90 00
Pontiac,	M. W. Stambaugh,	240 00	240 00	100 00	100 00	130 00	130 00
Utica,	James S. Smart,	200 00	200 00	32 00	32 00	75 00	75 00
Washington,	I. C. Abbott,	200 00	170 00	P		74 00	60 00
Mt. Clemens,	D. C. Jacokes,	200 00	200 00	60 00	60 00	80 00	80 00
New Haven,	Thomas Seely,	215 00	145 00	P		75 00	45 00
Dearbornville,	S. Bessy,	264 00	205 25	36 00	28 75	100 00	79 50
Farmington,	I. F. Collins,	200 00	137 00	48 00	48 00	90 00	90 00
St. Clair,	J. M. Arnold,	200 00	200 00	30 00	30 00	60 00	60 00
Newport,	Wm. Glass,	216 00	200 00	30 00	30 00	100 00	100 00
Port Huron,	Hiram Law,	232 00	232 00	50 00	50 00	120 00	120 00
Lexington,	W. W. Johnson,	240 00	155 00	P		100 00	100 00
W. S. F. Society,	A. M. Fitch,	248 00	248 00	150 00	150 00	200 00	200 00
Am. B. Society,	J. A. Baughman,	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00	150 00	150 00
Ann Arbor Dist.	W. H. Collins, P. E.	272 00	227 00	80 00	67 00	170 00	142 00
Ann Arbor, 1st Ch.	Jon. Blanchard,	216 00	190 00	P		175 00	120 00
do 2d Ch.	M. Hickey,	100 00	100 00			100 00	100 00
Ypsilanti,	Seth Reed,	232 00	232 00	52 00	52 00	130 00	130 00
Plymouth,	George Smith,	256 00	188 26	P		111 00	109 87
	J. H. Burnham,	216 00	122 96	26 65	26 65	75 00	63 21
Northville,	R. Pengelly,	216 00	78 00	50 00	20 00	85 00	50 00
Milford,	J. Livington,	232 00	232 00	45 00	45 00	90 00	90 00
do	F. Brittan,						
Livingston,	E. W. Bordon,	256 00	256 00	P		87 00	87 00
Ingham,	R. Dubois,	232 00	109 00	P		80 00	80 00
do	N. C. Etheridge,	216 00					
Dexter,	Wm. Kelly,	216 00	216 00	P		80 00	80 00
Jackson,	S. Clements,	100 00	77 00			61 00	61 00
Grass Lake,	R. Goodale,	216 00	216 00	40 00	40 00	75 00	75 00
Manchester,	F. W. Warren,	216 00	124 00	P		55 00	55 00
Saline,	W. E. Bigelow,	216 00	216 00	40 00	40 00	110 00	110 00
Monroe Dist.	R. R. Richards, P. E.	224 00	224 00	P		221 00	221 00
Monroe,	T. C. Gardner,	272 00	272 00	P		130 00	130 00
Dundee,	J. K. Gillett,	232 00	160 00	20 00	20 00	80 00	60 00
Oakville,	S. P. Warner,	282 00	282 00	P		100 00	100 00
Flat Rock,	Robert Bird,	200 00	200 00	35 00	35 00	75 00	75 00
Trenton,	S. C. Woodard,	216 00	216 00	P		87 50	87 50
Tecumseh,	A. Campbell,	200 00	200 00	50 00	50 00	100 00	100 00
Clinton,	Isaac Taylor,	100 00	100 00	P		50 00	50 00
Ridgeway,	Peter Sharp,	264 00	264 00	30 00	30 00	90 00	90 00
Franklin,	S. C. Stringham,	216 00	186 00	18 00	18 00	70 00	70 00
Palmyra,	D. A. Curtis,	216 00	216 00	P		50 00	50 00
Adrian, 1st Church,	J. F. Davidson,	232 00	232 00	P		200 00	200 00
do 2d do		100 00	93 02				
Medina,	T. B. Granger,	232 00	232 00	P		75 00	75 00
Rome,	Rich'd McConnell,	200 00	200 00	P		60 00	60 00
Hudson,	W. Mothersill,	248 00	134 83	13 00	13 00	100 00	90 00
do	Lee McQuigg,	100 00	59 11			35 00	14 47
Hillsdale,	H. Worthington,						
South Hillsdale,	Jas. Measures,	180 00	111 15	P		40 00	40 00
Marshall Dist.							
Marshall,	H. Morgan,	224 00	224 00	78 00	78 00	140 00	140 00
Albion,	R. Sapp,	240 00	240 00	P		150 00	150 00
Eaton Rapids,	O. D. White,	240 00	153 53	30 00	30 00	75 00	75 00
Charlotte,	H. Harris,	196 00	94 17	P		75 00	36 68
Battle Creek,	M. B. Camburn,	200 00	200 00	P		100 00	100 00
Burlington,	C. Mosher,	282 00	160 80	40 00	40 00	80 00	80 00
Burlington,	A. A. Dunton,	200 00	110 70	21 00	21 00	40 00	40 00

Steward's Report, (Continued.)

CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTER'GE.		HOUSE RENT.		TABLE EXP.	
		Claims.	Rec'ts.	Claims.	Rec'ts.	Claims.	Rec'ts.
South Albion,	Isaac Bennett,	256 00	216 00			120 00	100 00
do do	W. H. Perrine,	100 00	84 27			58 00	49 00
Marengo,	D. H. Pierce,	100 00					
Litchfield,	N. Mount,	232 00	165 00	P		75 00	53 34
do	J. E. McAlister,	100 00	62 00			39 00	39 00
Jonesville,	P. G. Buchanan,						
Coldwater,	Jas. Sommerville,	200 00	200 00	P		125 00	125 00
Girard,	V. G. Boyngton,	216 00	144 00	P		75 00	50 00
Gilead,	J. Ercanbrack,	200 00					
Nottawa Ind. Mis.	A. C. Shaw,	248 00	248 00	P		70 00	70 00
do do	R. C. Crane,	100 00	100 00			50 00	50 00
do do	J. Kahbeege,	216 00	216 00	P		80 00	80 00
A. F. Col. Institute,	C. T. Hinman,	232 00	232 00	150 00	150 00	200 00	200 00
do do do	N. Abbott,	232 00	232 00	80 00	80 00	88 00	88 00
do do do	P. S. Donelson,	200 00	200 00	100 00		100 00	100 00
do do do	W H. Brockway,	232 00	232 00	150 00	150 00	200 00	200 00
Kalamazoo Dist.	F. B. Bangs, P. E.	240 00	200 00	75 00	60 00	100 00	75 00
Kalamazoo,	C. A. Bruce,	250 00	100 00	P		140 00	80 00
Climax,	Amos Wakefield,	200 00	200 00	P		62 00	62 00
Schoolcraft,	F. May,	200 00	100 00	30 00	20 00	100 00	80 00
Centreville,*	H. Penfield,	256 00	216 00	50 00	50 00	100 00	81 00
Sturgis,	W. G. Stonex,	216 00	80 00	60 00	50 00	60 00	60 00
Constantine,	E. Crane,	248 00	248 00	P		70 00	70 00
Edwardsburgh,*	H. Hall,	216 00	176 82	11 38	9 34	85 00	70 13
Niles,	A. J. Eldred,	216 00	216 00	P		75 00	75 00
Berrien,*	S. A. Osborn,	250 00	170 00	P		80 00	65 00
St. Joseph,	T. Clark,	216 00	156 00	15 00	15 00	55 00	55 00
do	J. W. Robinson,	100 00	91 00			41 00	41 00
Paw Paw,	F. Gage,	200 00	200 00	50 00	50 00	100 00	100 00
Wayne,	L. W. Earl,	216 00	216 00	30 00	30 00	50 00	50 00
Gr'd River Dist.	D. Burns, P. E.	150 00	150 00			70 00	25 00
Grand Rapids,	F. A. Blades,	216 00	216 00	75 00	75 00	115 00	115 00
Paris,							
Talmadge,	G. W. Hoag,	216 00	138 00	35 00	35 00	60 00	40 00
Flat River,	D. Thomas,	248 00	150 00	P		90 00	90 00
Greenville,	Noah Fassett,	200 00	154 26	40 00	30 80	57 00	43 89
Hastings,	G. W. Bignell,	232 00	232 00	P		110 00	110 00
do	A. R. Bartlett,	100 00	100 00			53 00	53 00
Allegan,	Francis Glass,	100 00	95 00			87 50	82 00
Ganges,	B. F. Doughty,	216 00	216 00			55 00	55 00
Otsego,	T. H. Bignell,	216 00	145 00	35 00	24 00	75 00	50 00
Lyons,	J. S. Sutton,	100 00	100 00			48 00	48 00
do	J. H. Harder,	216 00	216 00				
do	L. Chatfield,	no clm					
DeWitt,	Jeremy Boyngton,	200 00	160 00	P		80 00	64 00
Du Plains,	Eli Westlake,	232 00	105 00	P		70 00	70 00
Lansing,	O. Whitmore,	216 00	216 00	P		70 00	70 00
Williamston,							
Flint Dist.	Geo. Bradley, P. E	224 00	100 00	52 00	23 85	65 00	34 89
Flint,	Wm. Mahon,	240 00	240 00	P		100 00	100 00
Flushing,	G. N. Belknap,	232 00	160 00	P		60 00	50 00
Grand Blanc,	Supplied,	200 00	120 00	25 00	25 00	50 00	50 00
Genesee,	S. P. Lee,	100 00	100 00			75 00	75 00
Saginaw,	C. C. Olds,	240 00	129 20	50 00	27 04	100 00	54 08
Fentonville,	J. W. Holt,	216 00	150 00	30 00	22 00	50 00	50 00
Oxford,	B. F. Pritchard,	200 00	154 00	30 00	23 00	85 00	65 64
Clarkston,	A. Bell,						
Hadley,	H. N. Brown,	200 00	170 78	P		70 00	70 00
Lapeer,	S. Calkins,	200 00	200 00	P		50 00	50 00
Almont,	Israel Cogshall,	232 00	232 00	P		75 00	75 00
Romeo,	Joseph Jennings,	216 00	216 00	P		84 00	84 00
Armada,	J Whitmore,	248 00	153 00	P		76 00	76 00
Cheesning,							
Bennington,	J. B. Chamberlin,	263 00	104 00			85 00	

Steward's Report, (Continued.)

CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTER'GE.		HOUSE RENT.		TABLE EXP.	
		Claims.	Rec'ts.	Claims.	Rec'ts.	Claims.	Rec'ts.
Shiawassee,	G. W. Brown,	221 00	101 94	16 00	16 00	60 00	60 00
Kazier Ind. Mis.	E. D. Young,	232 00	232 00	P		80 00	80 00
	H. Jackson,	200 00	200 00	20 00	20 00	30 00	30 00
Jonesville Ind. Mis.	P. O. Johnson,	232 00	232 00	P		93 00	93 00
Indian Mis. Dist.	J. H. Pitezell,	224 00	224 00	60 00	60 00	175 00	175 00
Saut Ste. Marie,	E. Steel,	240 00	240 00				
Kewawenon,	N. Barnum,	200 00	200 00	P			
Fon du Lac,	P. Marksman,	200 00	200 00			75 00	75 00
Sandy Lake & M. L.	S. Spates,						
Eagle River,	S. Steel,	280 00	280 00			175 00	175 00
Ontonagon,	E. H. Day,	240 00	240 00	68 00	68 00	120 00	120 00
Carp River,	W. Benson,	200 00	100 00			100 00	100 00
* Centreville, for supplies,		200 00	160 00			100 00	50 00
* Edwardsburgh,	do	100 00	80 00				
* Berrien,	do	200 00	135 00				

NOTE.—P stands for parsonage.

TRUSTEES OF CHURCHES TO FILL VACANCIES.

The question having been submitted to Hon. James F. Joy, of Detroit, he gave it as his opinion that they ought to be nominated by the preacher in charge and elected by the board, and the preacher should give a certificate of such appointment.

DELEGATES TO OTHER RELIGIOUS BODIES.

To the Presbyterian Synod—E. CRANE, W. H. BROCKWAY.
The Congregational General Association—GEO. SMITH, ISAAC F. COLLINS.
Baptist State Convention—H. PENFIELD, JOHN K. GILLETT.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Appointments.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	No. of Bible Classes.	Scholars in Infant Classes.	Expenses of the schools this year.	Raised for S. S. Union.	S. S. Advocates taken.	Conversions.
Detroit District.										
Detroit — 1st Church	1	28	206	550	1	167	60 00	12 50	116	
Detroit — 2d Church	1	25	200	500	1	87	55 00		50	2
Detroit — French Mission	1	6	31	122	1		15 00	5 06		2
Detroit — Lafayette Street	1	16	80	450	1		35 00		21	5
Detroit — City Mission	8	47	253	767		20	40 00		44	
Birmingham	3	20	119	409			6 00		30	
Pontiac	1	24	130	300		20	24 00			
Utica	4	27	200	350	1	25	25 00		21	2
Washington	3	32	117	400	1		23 00		45	
Mt Clemens	3	14	100	200						
New Haven	2	22	80	210					21	
Dearbornville	7	86	300	967	1	10	40 00	1 35	42	
Farmington	5	50	277	600	1		22 00			
St Clair	6	30	180	540		15	30 00	3 00	100	2
Newport	1	14	70	320			24 00			
Port Huron	3	33	160	600	1		20 00	5 00	71	2
Lexington	2	10	40	160			8 00			
	52	483	2473	7445	9	344	487 00	26 91	561	15
Ann Arbor District.										
Ann Arbor—1st Church	1	15	75	300	1	200	22 00		200	
Ann Arbor—2d Church	4	41	200	368		10	16 00	4 66	20	8
Ypsilanti	2	20	120	400	1		15 00		56	1
Plymouth	5	51	207	590	2	15	6 50	1 00		
Northville	1	8	35	250			12 00		25	
Milford										
Livingston	5	36	150	675	2		24 00			
Ingham	10	30	400	550	2		10 00		80	10
Dexter	2	18	110	350		15			37	9
Jackson	1	24	248		1	43	40 00		51	1
Grass Lake	2	10	65	150	1				25	
Manchester								5 71		
Saline	2	20	135	175			25 00		10	10
	31	273	1845	3808	10	283	170 50	11 37	504	54
Monroe District.										
Monroe	1	15	100	300	2	62	24 00		41	
Dundee	6	32	150	550					30	
Oakville	4	25	122	142						
Flat Rock	5	20	150	400		6	10 00		2	
Trenton	2	17	100	500	2	15	17 00		21	
Tecumseh	1	16	56	200			7 00			2
Clinton							1 56			
Ridgway	5	46	193	455	6	6	3 50		58	
Franklin	4	40	160	300	2	12		12 21	21	
Palmyra	3	22	127	495			15 00		22	
Adrian—1st Church	1	15	200	200	2	25	22 00	3 00	50	
Adrian—2d Church	1	19	87	303			10 00			10
Medina	10	74	400	1300	5		50 00	2 00		
Rome	7	50	310	1150						
Hudson	6	36	120		2			3 50		
Hillsdale	3	13	120	160						

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South Hillsdale	3	14	110	120			15 00			
	62	454	2505	6575	21	120	153 50	20 71	243	12
Marshall District.										
Marshall	2	37	270	400	6	60	22 00	5 85	41	
Albion	1	20	100	150			16 00		34	3
Eaton Rapids	8	48	450	600	3	21	7 00	2 00	40	
Charlotte	5	98	236	685	2	36	15 50		11	
Battle Creek	1	19	133							
Burlington	12	75	350	1200	6	26	60 00		15	
Marengo	4	32	100	640						
South Albion	7	72	264	585	3		34 50	3 00	35	
Litchfield	4	50	220	958			17 00			
Jonesville	3	14	94	160						
Coldwater	1	18	200	200	1		10 00	5 14		6
Girard	2	25	86	350		6	6 00		40	
Gilead										
Nottaway Indian Mission	5	5	75	150	1					15
	52	513	5218	6078	22	159	188 00	15 99	216	24
Kalamazoo District.										
Kalamazoo	1	10	70	225		15		1 50		
Climax	7	77	209	966		29	32 00		21	1
Schoolcraft	4	19	95	200			17 00			
Centreville	7	99	294	841		34	27 00		43	
Sturges	1	14	80	150	1	12	1 00	1 00		
Constantine	3	30	150	300		12	20 00		33	
Edwardsburg	4	37	151	790			20 00	2 00		2
Niles	1	19	100	416	2		25 00		30	
Berrien	11	86	250	1050	8		25 00	2 15		
St. Joseph	9	56	233	1233	3	60	28 00		10	9
Paw Paw	4	20	100	300			25 00		23	
Wayne	2	15	70	200	1		20 00			
	54	482	1802	6661	15	171	240 00	6 65	260	12
Grand River District.										
Grand Rapids	2	13	100	150	1	15	20 00		21	
Paris										
Talmage					1				35	
Flat River	6	34	180	310	2	25	31 00	3 50	20	
Greenville	4	38	145	450			12 00	13 00	86	
Hastings	8	64	220	426						
Allegan	2	16	42	100			17 00		10	
Ganges	3	15	50	450	1		40 00		45	
Lyons	7	45	230	900			14 00	1 00		
DeWitt	5	58	180	480	1	10	9 00		20	4
Duplains	3	30	120	340	1	23				
Lansing	2	16	60	200	1	10				
Williamson										
	42	329	1327	3806	8	83	143 00	17 50	237	4
Flint District.										
Flint	2	26	150	250			25 00	3 00	23	

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Grand Blanc	4	16	150	400			10 00			
Flushing	2	17	60	275		7	4 00			
Genesee	2	23	100	350						
Saginaw	1	10	50	310			10 00			
Fentonville	8	70	305	745	2		15 00			5
Oxford	5	32	180	420						
Clarkeston										
Hadley	3	18	85	300						
Lapeer	3	35	130	400						
Almont	3	25	100	400						
Romeo	1	20	125	300	1					
Armada	5	25	125	456	1		5 00		21	
Bennington	6	40	143	589	3	50	18 50		58	
Shiawasse	7	65	273	1200	1	10	12 50	50	40	10
Kazier Indian Mission	2	4	80	80						3
Janesville Indian Mission	1	5	30	150			15 00			
	55	431	2086	6625	8	67	115 00	3 50	142	18
Ind. Miss. District.										
Saut Ste Marie	1	4	33						8	
Kewawenon	1	6	45	100						
Eagle River	4	45	147	660	5	60	48 00			
Ontonagon	3	6	50	200			17 00		10	
Carp River	1	8	30	250						
	10	69	305	1210	5	60	65 00		18	

Note.—It will be seen from the foregoing table, that several charges have not made any report at all, and many more are very defective. Why is this? Are there no schools in the former, and are there no libraries in others, &c.? Or is it because those who have had charge of them, have not informed themselves in regard to them? According to the resolutions adopted by the Conference, these schools are regarded as a great means for the renovation of the world. Where can a minister accomplish more good, with the same expenditure of time and labor, than in connection with a Sabbath School? How can he better secure for himself a warm place in the affections of his people, than in his attention to their children in the Sabbath School? Surely, brethren, we ought to give sufficient attention to this matter, to secure, at least, a full and accurate report each year. One other thing is manifest, and calls for our careful attention—that is, the smallness of the reported number of conversions. Why is this? Do not superintendents, teachers, and ministers labor for this direct object?

The amount contributed for the Union is too small; besides, many charges have done nothing at all.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society in account with H. Morgan:

CR. BY AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM

DETROIT DISTRICT.

DETROIT—1ST CHARGE—By E. H. Pilcher,		$150 00
(Of which $50 were raised by the Sabbath School, for a church in Germany, and forwarded to New York.)		
DETROIT—2D CHARGE—By J. Russell,		27 63
(Monthly Sunday School collection,	$7 01	
Regular annual collection,	20 62	
Twenty dollars of the above is to make the Rev. John Russell a life member of the Parent Society.)		
DETROIT—LA FAYETTE STREET—		
DETROIT—CITY MISSION—By T. Wakelin,		8 00
DETROIT—FRENCH MISSION—By T. Carte,		8 05
BIRMINGHAM—		
PONTIAC—By Geo. Taylor,		1 63
UTICA—By J. S. Smart,		5 00
WASHINGTON—By I. C. Abbott,		16 25
MT. CLEMENS—		
NEW HAVEN—By Thos. Seeley,		8 00
DEARBORNVILLE—By S. Bessey,		60 54
(Sixty dollars of which is to constitute Stewart C. Moon, Peter Doolittle, and Elizabeth Doolittle, life members of the Parent Society.		
Collected as follows:		
By Leonard Patget,	6 94	
By Salmon Moon,	7 70	
By S. C. Moon,	4 59	
By C. Horner,	3 50	
By R. Bird,	10 10	
By Peter Doolittle,	11 10	
By Br. Warren,	2 13	
By O. Robbins,	40	
By Ervin Wood,	1 13	
By J. F. Smith,	1 50	
By Wayne Class,	2 50	
By Public Collection,	8 35)	
FARMINGTON—By I. F. Collins		87 00
(Bennington appointment collected as follows:		
By James Wheeler Smith, collector,	5 68	
By Melissa Wilson, "	2 23	
By Wesley Horton, "	3 07	
Southfield appointment—		
By David Goss, collector,	2 50	
By Elizabeth Goss, "	1 00	
Livonia appointment—		
By Charles Wheeler, collector,	7 59	
By Amand Simonds,	2 00	
Redford appointment—		
By Judson Dains, collector,	4 08	
By Eliza Armstrong,	75	
Dearborn appointment—		
By James Abbott, collector,	4 18	
By Lucind Tuttle, "	1 00	
Nankin appointment—		
By Samuel Harris, collector,	3 75	
By Clarissa Millard, "	3 76	

Commerce appointment—		
By Levi G. Moore, collector,	4 69	
By Eleanor Cook, "	2 05	
Straits Lake appointment—		
By H. C. Cares, collector,	3 49	
By Miss Bignal, "	1 14	
Waterford appointment—		
By John Devore, collector,	2 75	
By Jane Cole, "	1 00	
Walled Lake appointment—		
By Wm. Noe, collector,	3 00	
By Maria Goodenough, collector,	3 00	
West Bloomfield appointment—		
By Stephen Winslow, collector,	1 25	
By Harriet Winslow, "	1 50	
Simpson's appointment—		
By Olive H. Ferris, collector,	2 50	
Franklin appointment—		
By Abigail Wellington, collector,	2 62	
By Mary J. Warren, "	1 93	
By Sarah C. Congleton, "	5 52	
From sundry persons,	8 97)	
St. Clair—By J. M. Arnold,		15 00
(Remitted to New York.)		
Newport—		
Port Huron—By H. Law,		34 10
(Remitted to New York,	30 60)	
Lexington—By W. W. Johnson,		5 00
		$416 20

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.

Ann Arbor—1st Church—By J. Blanchard,		13 56
(Raised by the Sunday School, for China,	8 00)	
Ann Arbor—2d Charge—		80 05
(Missionary clothing forwarded to A. C. Shaw, as follows:		
From Lodi & Scio Female Miss. Soc. in goods for Nottawa Miss.	19 45	
From Dixborough Female M. and B. S.	15 72	
From S. S. Children, Brook's Neigh.	3 00	
From Ladies, " "	6 50	
From Female Sewing Society, Ann Arbor,	23 00	
From Children of S. S. 2d Charge,	2 00	
From Dixborough S. S. cash,	2 00	
From sundry collections,	8 38	
For China mission, (5 00.)		
For Irish Mission in this State, (5 00.)		
Ten dollars to constitute Mrs. S. A. Hickey a life member of the Mich. Conference Missionary Society.)		
Ypsilanti—By S. Reed,		44 60
(Raised by children for China Mission,	11 15)	
Plymouth—By George Smith,		79 32
(Plymouth collection,	1 83	
S. School Collectors, Wm. Washburn,	2 25	
S. School Collectors, Theo. Scattergood,	2 38	
Isabel Myers,	96	
Collection in School,	1 15	
Collector—John Weller,	22 18	
" Nelson Tindall,	9 50	
" A. Maria Warden,	3 75	
" Sarah Warden,	9 70	
" James Levan,	1 50	
" Martha Matthews,	2 00	
Ridge Collector—Eliza Lewis,	6 41	
Plains collection,	5 26	
Parkhur's "	2 18	
South Lyon,	3 00	
Farleys,	2 95	
Miss Dweller,	1 00	
Gage's collection,	1 32	
Forty dollars is to constitute Mr. John Weller and Mrs. Ann Maria Warden, life members of the Parent Society.)		

NORTHVILLE—By R. Pengelley,		7 00
(One dollar from Mr. Robinson, to be applied to Indian Mission, Mich.)		
MILFORD—By F. Britton,		27 10
(Balance of last year applied to Janesville Indian Mission.)		
LIVINGSTON—By E. W. Borden,		10 00
INGHAM—By R. Dubois,		10 00
DEXTER—By Wm. Kelly,		12 37
(Ann Arbor Dist. Juvenile Missionary Society—		
Miss Eugenia Pratt, collector,	3 13	
Miss Emily Bates, "	82	
Miss Hortense Tozer, "	2 46	
Miss Marg. Jamison, "	1 06	
Collection,	4 90	
Of the above, for the China Mission, 7 47.)		
JACKSON—		
GRASS LAKE—By R. Goodell,		30 03
(By H. F. Brown and Mary I. Capron, for China Mission, 1 03.)		
MANCHESTER—By F. W. Warren,		56 75
(Twenty dollars to make Miss Lovina L. Warren a life member of Parent Society.		
SALINE—By W. E. Bigelow,		33 50
(For China Mission, by juvenile collection,	11 50)	
		$354 28

MONROE DISTRICT.

MONROE—By T. C. Gardner,		20 00
(To make Miss Emma Morton a life member of Parent Society.)		
DUNDEE—By J. K. Gillett,		5 00
OAKVILLE—By S. P. Warner,		55 63
(From the Brick Church apt. 45 00; twenty dollars to make S. P. Warner a life member of the Parent Society; twenty dollars to make Richard Hewens a life member of Parent Society; five dollars for Mission Church in China.		
Sundry collections, 4 63.)		
FLAT ROCK—By R. Bird,		3 86
(From J. Littlefield and wife,	1 88	
Sundry collections,	1 98)	
TRENTON—By S. C. Woodard,		20 00
(From the Sunday School,	9 00)	
TECUMSEH—By A. Campbell,		44
CLINTON—By Isaac Taylor,		4 00
RIDGWAY—By P. Sharp,		14 22
FRANKLIN—By S. C. Stringham,		21 14
PALMYRA—By D. A. Curtis,		20 25
ADRIAN—1ST CHARGE—By J. F. Davison,		30 75
(By Miss Halsted, 11 00; by Mrs. Flowers, 3 13; by Mrs. Osgood, 5 38; by Mrs. Davidson, 2 24; by Miss Richardson, 1 00; collection, 5 00; Sabbath School, 3 00.)		
MEDINA—By T. B. Granger,		62 00
(To make Mrs. T. B. Granger, Mr. Charles How, M. W. Alvord, life members of Parent Society,	2 00)	
Sent to New York,		18 00
ROME—By R. McConnel,		5 23
HUDSON—By Wm. Mothersill.		
SOUTH HILLSDALE—		$280 52

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

		112 44
MARSHALL—By H. Morgan,	58 00	
(Collected as follows: Missionary Society,	36 44	
Ladies' Society, clothing,	18 00	
Sabbath School,		
Remitted to New York, $14 00		
To be applied to China Mission, $11 00)		
ALBION—By R. Sapp,		5 35
EATON RAPIDS—By O. D. White,		17 00
CHARLOTTE—By H. Harris,		11 90
BATTLE CREEK—By M. B. Camburn,		88 60
To make Mrs. E. J. Morehouse, Mrs. L. Hall, Mrs. Alice Taylor, life members Michigan Conference Missionary Society, $30 00, and in clothing, $58 25.		

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" M. Sandford,
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" D. A. Cogshall,
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" Richard Angwin,
Rev. John Tonkin,
" Jos. Jennings,
" Alfred Bryant,
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" John Pemah-qua-ung,
" George Waine-gee-ga-yich.

MINUTES

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MINUTES.

The Michigan Annual Conference, of the Methodist Epi-copal Church, ommenced its eighteenth Session, in the city of Detroit, September 14th, 353, Bishop WAUGH presiding.

The Conference met at 9 o'clock, A. M., and was opened by reading the riptures, singing, and prayer, by the Bishop.

The list of members was called by E. H. Pilcher, Secretary of last year. ie most of the members were present, and responded to their names. The onference proceeded to the appointment of a Secretary, when ELIJAH H. LCHER was appointed Secretary, and ANDREW M. FITCH, Assistant Sec'y.

The Conference then proceeded to appoint the following Standing Comttees, viz:

On Public Worship—John A. Baughman, W. H. Collins, C. C. Olds, and Hickey.

Stewards—C. C. Olds, Geo. Bradley, I. Cogshall.

Missions—The Presiding Elders.

Mission Auditing Committee—A. J. Eldred, M. B. Camburn, F. A. Blades.

Education—Prof. E. O. Haven, T. C. Gardner, S. Reed, J. M. Arnold, J. Pitzel.

Sundy Schools—W. Kelley, D. Thomas, Isaac Taylor.

Temperance—O. Whitmore, J. Boynton, J. Sommerville, E. H. Pilcher, M. Fitch, E. Crane, W. H. Brockway.

Bible Cause—S. Steel, E. Crane, I. Bennett.

Publication of Minutes—E. H. Pilcher, A. M. Fitch, M. Hickey, W. H. lins.

Post Offices—Geo. W. Brown.

Tract Cause—W. Taylor, E. H. Day, S. C. Stringham.

Bethel Cause—G. Taylor, T. H. Jacokes, G. Bignell.

Slavery—W. H. Collins, H. Penfield, J. S. Smart, S. Reed, P. O. Johnson.

Parsonages—L. Chatfield, J. F. Davidson, J. E. Parker.

On Monday, the sixth day of the session, E. H. Pilcher resigned his place secretary, and A. M Fitch, as Assistant; and T. C. Gardner was appointed etary, and Wm. G. Stonex, Assistant.

he Conference took up and answered the usual questions, as follows:

QUESTION 1.—*Who have been admitted on trial?*

ANSWER.—David B. Tracy, Ferris B. Harrison, Benj. H. Hedger, Daniel D. Gillett, Elias Prindle, Charles W. Seaman, Loren M. Bennett, Joseph Elliot, Barber N. Sheldon, Isaac S. Finch, Seth B. Finch, Isaac M. Thoms, John O. Bancroft, Orlando Sanborn.—14.

QUESTION 2.—*Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER.—Erastus R. Hascall, Solomon S. Littlefield, Jacob Dobbins, Wm. Stafford, Thomas J. Joslyn, Sewell P. Barker, John J. Whitmore, John W. Cawthorn, Parke S. Donelson, Lewis W. Earl, Jacob S. Harder, Henry Jackson.—12.

QUESTION 3.—*Who are admitted into full connection.*

ANSWER.—Lee M'Quigg, Silas P. Warner, James Measures, Alfred A. Dunton, Wm. H. Perrine, Jesse E. M'Alister, James W. Robinson, Franklin W. May, Thomas H. Bignell, Alanson R. Bartlett, John Levingston.—11.

QUESTION 4.—*Who are the Deacons?*

ANSWER.—*Lee M'Quigg, *Silas P. Warner, *James Measures, *Alfred A. Dunton, *Wm. H. Perrine, *J. E. M'Alister, *James W. Robinson, *Franklin W. May, *Thomas H. Bignell, *Alanson R. Bartlett, *John Levington, Wm. Mahon, John H. Burnham, Orrin D. White, Jeremy Boynton, Welcome W. Johnson, Samuel P. Lee, Rufus C. Crane, Samuel Clemments, Benj. F. Pritchard, Sylvester Calkins, Peter Marksman.—22.

Those marked thus (*) were ordained this year.

QUESTION 5.—*Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

ANSWER.—John M. Arnold, Erasmus D. Young, Isaac Taylor, Samuel Hendrickson, Giles N. Belknapp, Amos Wakefield, James Sommerville, Ransom Goodell, Carmi C. Olds.—9.

QUESTION 6.—*Who have located this year?*

ANSWER.—Henry Worthington, Alexander Campbell, Peter Sharp.

QUESTION 7.—*Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 8.—*Who are the superannuated or worn out Preachers?*

ANSWER.—R. Triggs, A. Billings, Wm. Todd, R. R. Richards, Elijah Crane, H. Hall, N. Barnum.—7

QUESTION 9.—*Who have been expelled from the connection this year?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 10.—*Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 11.—*Were all the Preachers' characters examined?*

ANSWER.—This was strictly attended to, by calling over their names before the Conference.

QUESTION 12.—*Who have died this year?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 13.—*What is the number of members, and what of probationers in Society?*

ANSWER.—See table I.

QUESTION 14.—*What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers, and to make up the deficiency of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?*

ANSWER.—$4,371 69—See table II.

QUESTION 15.—*What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

ANSWER.—$569 27.

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Amounts necessary to meet claims of Sup., Widows, and Orphans, and to make up deficiency of those who have not obtained their allowances,		$4,371 69
To meet this, the Stewards have received from Chartered Fund,	$ 76 00	
From Circuits and Stations,	443 59	
Collection at Conference,	44 68	
		$564 27

This amount has been disbursed as follows:

To Loring Grant,	$59 40
" John Gray,	76 03
" Wm. Todd,	59 40
" R. Triggs,	66 52
" A. Billings.	66 52
" Widow Fox,	29 70
" " Staples,	43 95
" " Breakman,	43 95
" " Chaplin,	29 70
" " King,	29 70
" " Ruark,	29 70
" " Ercanbrack,	29 70
	$564 27

C. C. OLDS,
G. BRADLEY, } *Stewards.*
I. COGSHALL

The Committee on the Distribution of the Parkhurst Fund, would respectfully report, that they

Apportioned to Sister Fox,	$4 40
" " Staples,	5 50
" " Breakman	6 50
" " Chaphin,	4 40
" " King,	4 40
" " Ruark,	4 40
" " Ercanbrack,	4 40
	$35 00

QUESTION 16.—*What has been contributed for the support of Missions; what for the Sunday School Union; what for the publication and circulation of Tracts; and what to aid the American Bible Society?*

ANSWER.—For Missions, $3,880 46; for Sunday School Union, $147 24; for Tracts, , for American Bible Society, .

QUESTION 17.—*Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

ANSWER. DETROIT DISTRICT—JOHN A. BAUGHMAN, P. E.

Detroit.
- First Charge—*W. H. Collins.*
- Congress St.—Wm. Mahon.
- Lafayette St.—*M. Hickey.*
- French Miss.—*Thomas Carter.*
- City Miss.—*Rich. M'Connel.*

Trenton—*Lorenzo D. Price.*
Mt. Clemens—*Harrison Morgan.*
Flat Rock—*B. F. Doughty,*
Farmington—*Flavel Brittan, Ferri B. Harrison.*
Birmingham—*Salmon Steele.*
Pontiac—*Wm. Kelly.*
Utica—To be supplied.

A. M. Fitch, Financial Secretary of the Western Seaman's Friend Society and member of Lafayette Street Quarterly Meeting Conference.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—WM. E. BIGELOW, P. E.

A. Arbor
- 1st Charge,—*Thomas C. Gardner.*
- 2d Charge—*A. Bell.*

Ypsilanti—*Wm. G. Stoncx.*
Oakville—*Curtis Mosher.*
Dearbonville—*E. Steel*, C. W. Seaman.
Plymouth—To be supplied.
Northville—John H. Burnham.
Northfield—*Ransom Goodell.*
Milford—*Wm. Benson.*
Howell—*Eli Westlake.*
Pinckney—Elias Prindle, one to be supplied.
Mason—Erastus R. Hascall.
Dexter—*Robert Bird.*
Manchester—*Wm. P. Judd.*
Lima—Benj. H. Hedger.
Saline—*Joseph Jennings.*

Erastus O. Haven, Prof. in Michigan University, and member of Ann Arbor First Charge Quarterly Conference.

ADRIAN DISTRICT—ELIJAH H. PILCHER, P. E.

Adrian
- 1st Charge—*J. E. Parker.*
- 2d Charge—J. E. M'Alister.

Tecumseh—*James F. Davidson.*
Clinton—*David A. Curtis.*
Ridgway—*Frederick W. Warren.*
Dundee—Welcome W. Johnson.
Bedford—To be supplied.
Monroe—*Seth Reed.*
Palmyra—*Thomas B. Granger.*
Medina—*S. C. Woodard*, L. M. Bennett.
Rome—Soloman S. Littlefield.
Liberty—Silas P. Warner.
Franklin—David B. Tracy.
Napoleon—*Benjamin Sabin.*

James V. Watson, Editor of the North Western Christian Advocate.

MARSHALL DISTRICT—REZIN SAPP, P. E.

Marshall—*Myron B. Camburn.*
Albion—*Francis A. Blades.*
Parma—*Isaac Bennett.*
Eaton Rapids—*Noah Fassett.*
Charlotte—*Eri H. Day*, one to be supplied.
Jackson—*James S. Smart.*
Grass Lake—*Hiram Law.*
Henrietta Miss.—To be supplied.
South Albion—*George Bradley*; one to be supplied.
Marengo—To be supplied.
Burlington—To be supplied.
Battle Creek—*Riley C. Crawford.*
Galesburgh—*Isaac C. Abbott.*
Hastings—Wm. E. Perrine.
Nottaway, Ind., Miss.—*D. Thomas*, Joseph Elliott.

Clark T. Hinman, President of North Western University. Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion; *N. Abbott*, P. S. Donelson, and *C. C. Olds*, Professors; *W. H. Brockway*, General Agent, all members of Albion Quarterly Meeting Conference; Samuel Clements, Chaplain to State's Prison.

COLDWATER DISTRICT—JOHN K. GILLETT, P. E.

Coldwater—*Francis B. Bangs.*
Girard—*Nathan Mount.*
Union City—*Franklin Gage*; one to be supplied.
Centerville—*V. G. Boynton*; one to be supplied.
Constantine—Franklin W. May; one to be supplied.
Sturgis—Jeremy Boynton.
Gilead—Seth B. Finch.
Litchfield—*Wm. Mothersill*, Barber N. Sheldon; one to be supplied.
Jonesville—*Isaac Taylor.*
Hillsdale—To be supplied.
Osseo—Jacob Dobbins.
Hudson—*Henry Penfield.*
Addison—To be supplied.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—THOMAS H. JACOKES, P. E.

Kalamazoo—*James Sommerville.*
Cooper—Wm. Stafford.
Otsego—*Amos Wakefield.*
Allegan—*John H. Pitzel.*
Ganges—*Benj. P. Chase.*
Schoolcraft—To be supplied.
Ostemo—To be supplied.
Paw Paw—*Wm. Taylor.*
Dowagiac—Thomas H. Bignell; one to be supplied.
Niles—*Richard Pengelly*;
Edwardsburg—*Samuel A. Osborn.*
Buchanan—*Francis Glass.*
New Buffalo—James W. Robinson.
St. Joseph—To be supplied.
Black River—*S. Hendrickson.*

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—DAVID BURNS, P. E.

Grand Rapids—*Andrew J. Eldred.*
Paris—Isaac N. Thoms.
Talmadge—*Wm. C. Comfort.*
Sparta—Jacob S. Harder.
Muskegon—*George W. Hoag.*
Flat River—Isaac S. Finch; one to be supplied.
Greenville—Alanson R. Bartlett.
Ionia—*George Bignell.*
Lyons—*Orrin Whitmore;* one to be supplied.
Lansing—To be supplied.
DeWitt—Alfred A. Dunton.
Du Plain—Lee M'Quigg.
Williamston—To be supplied.
Grand River Ind. Miss.—*Erasmus D. Young*, Henry Jackson.

FLINT DISTRICT—GEORGE SMITH, P. E.

Flint—*John M. Arnold.*
Flushing—Sylvester Calkins.
Grand Blanc—*Giles N Belknapp.*
Genesee—John J. Whitmore.
Corunna—Sewell P. Barker.
Bennington—Rufus C. Crane.
Byron—*Thomas Wakelin.*
Fentonville—*George W. Brown.*
Clarkston—*Samuel Bessey;* one to be supplied.
Hadley—John Levingston; one to be supplied.
Lapeer—John W. Cawthorn.
Marathon Miss.—To be supplied.
Tuscola Miss.—To be supplied.
East Saginaw—*Addison C. Shaw.*
Lower Saginaw—*Israel Cogshall.*
Kazier Ind. Miss.—Orrin D. White.
Janesville Ind. Miss.—*Peter O. Johnson*, Peter Marksman.

ROMEO DISTRICT—JONATHAN BLANCHARD, P. E.

Romeo—*George Taylor.*
Almont—*Edmund W Borden.*
Attica Miss.—To be supplied.
Armada—*Joseph W. Holt.*
Lexington—Orlando Sanborn.
Clyde—James Measures.
Port Huron—*Daniel C. Jacokes.*
St. Clair—*Joseph S. Sutton.*
Newport—Daniel D. Gillett.
New Haven—John O. Bancroft.
Washington—*Thomas Seeley.*
Oxford—Samuel P. Lee, *John Gray.*

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—JAMES SHAW, P. E.

Saut Ste. Marie Ind. Miss.—To be supplied.
Kewawenon Ind. Miss.—*Robert Dubois.*
Ontonagon Miss.—To be supplied.
Minnesota Miss.—Benj. F. Pritchard.

Carp River—*Henry N. Brown.*
Eagle River Miss.—*S. C. Stringham.*
Portage Lake Miss.—Lewis W. Earl.
Eagle Harbor—Thomas J. Joslin.

Isaac F. Collins, transferred to Arkansas Conference.

Larman Chatfield, transferred to Rock River Conference.

Daniel D Whedon, transferred to New York East Conference.

Loring Grant, transferred to East Genesee Conference.

QUESTION 18.—*When and Where shall our next Conference be held?*

ANSWER.—Ann Arbor City; time not given.

TABLE I.—*Numbers in Society.*

STATIONS.	Members.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Fifth Collection.
DETROIT DISTRICT.				
Detroit, First Charge,	246	24	4	
" Second Charge,	115	7	3	18,00
" French Mission,	15	8	1	2,72
" Lafayette Street,	90	40	3	7,80
" City Mission,	60	32		2,00
Trenton,	81	33	1	12,00
Birmingham,	211	18	2	
Pontiac,	115	8	2	5,67
Utica,	100	1	1	
Mt. Clemens,	83		1	
New Haven,	82	29		
St. Clair,	85	9	1	6,25
New Port,				
Port Huron,	72	9	1	5,00
Lexington,	97	17	2	
Washington.	125	56	4	4,37
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.				
Ann Arbor, First Charge,	160		2	6,41
" " Second Charge,	88	11		
Ypsilanti,	204	15	1	21,50
Dearbonville,	261	42	1	10,12
Plymouth,	260	19	1	6,15
Northville,	75	3	2	
Farmington,	313	33	7	18,91
Milford,	233	19	2	
Howell,	144	4	4	
Unadilla,	155		3	
Mason,				
Dexter,	109	3	2	
Manchester,	237	8	2	18,45
Saline,				7,00
Clinton,	81	14		6,12
MONROE DISTRICT.				
Monroe,	100	10		
Dundee,	100	24		
Bedford,	79	1	1	
Flat Rock,	254	65		
Oakville,	202	39	3	
Ridgeway,	111	13	3	4,50
Tecumseh,	90	9		3,40
Adrian, First Charge,	179	10	2	21,00
" Second Charge,	131		1	
Medina,	259	50	2	15,06
Palmyra,	80		2	
Franklin,	88	6	2	

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STATIONS.	Members.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Fifth Collection.
Liberty,	126	45	2	
Rome.	135	5	2	
MARSHALL DISTRICT.				
Marshall,	120	6	1	5,00
Albion,	140	8	3	5,00
Eaton Rapids,	270	76	4	19,50
Charlotte,	317	18	7	3,00
Jackson,	80	15	1	
Grass Lake,	192	65	3	
Battle Creek,	226	3	1	13,00
Union City,	100			
Burlington,	150	10	2	2,65
Galesburgh,	173	28	5	2,06
South Albion,	390	47	4	6,00
Marengo,	98	14	1	2,00
Nottaway Ind. Miss,	4 w 116	11	2	
COLDWATER DISTRICT.				
Coldwater,	135	10	2	8,00
Girard,	106	13	2	
Gilead,	88	31		4,00
Sturgis,	95	18	2	6,84
Constantine,	193	5	1	
Centreville,	379	26	10	37,30
Jonesville,	101	39	2	10,18
Litchfield,	337	64	4	11,00
Hillsdale,	28	1	1	
South Hillsdale,	60		6	
Hudson,	140	10	1	
Addison.	104	17	1	
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.				
Kalamazoo,	121	21	4	2 80
Otsego,	126	37	3	6,50
Allegan,	83	11	4	
Ganges,	51	4	1	
Schoolcraft,	81	5	1	2,00
Paw Paw,	89	8	1	2,30
Dowagiac,	161	5	2	
Niles,	88	1		5,00
Edwardsburgh,	188	11		
New Buffalo,	21	15		6,50
Buchanan,	216	35	4	
St. Joseph,	172	23	3	
Black River,	40			
GRAND RIVER DISTRICT.				
Grand Rapids,	188	31	2	

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STATIONS.	Members.	Probationers.	Local Preachers.	Fifth Collection.
Paris,	86	82		
Talmadge,	79	26		
Sparta,	80	14	2	
Hastings,	190	50		2,06
Prairieville,	45	7		
Flat River,	163	12	2	4,00
Greenville,				
Lyons,	288	32	3	16,72
Lansing,	62	8		1,84
De Witt,	167	10	1	
Duplains,	130	8	2	1,00
Williamston,	66	14		
Muskegon,	18	6		
Grand River, Ind, Miss.	86	6		
FLINT DISTRICT.				
Flint,	140	25	5	
Flushing,	96	15	1	
Grand Blanc,	100	20	2	
Genesee,	138	113	1	3,00
Fentonville,	112	30	2	1,88
Clarkston,	180	40	3	10,21
Oxford,	267	3	5	10,00
Hadley,	163	30	3	4.02
Romeo,	148	2		
Almont,	171	20	1	
Armada,	108	9	2	3,70
Lapeer,	105	14	1	
Shiawasse,	196	47	1	10,00
Bennington,	139	6	5	
Saginaw City,	24			
Lower Saginaw,	10			
Kazier, Ind. Mission.	w2Ind218	5	2	
Janesville, Ind. Mission,	150	10	1	
LAKE SUPERIOR MISS. DISTRICT.				
Sault Ste. Marie, Ind. Miss.	w4 Ind66	Indians 9		
Kewawenon, Ind.	w1 Ind65	Indians32	Indian 1	
Eagle River,	51	4		
Eagle Harbor,	14		2	
Ontonagon,	20	2	2	
Carp River.	9	8		

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CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUART'GE.		TABLE EXP		HOUSE R'T.	
		Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts.	Cl'ms.	Rec'ts
DETROIT DIST.	J. A. Baughman, P. E.	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00
First Church,	W. H. Collins,	272 00	272 00	323 00	323 00	105 00	105 00
Congress St. Church,	C. C. Olds,	216 00	216 00	177 00	177 00	P	
French Mission,	Thomas Carter,	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00	200 00	200 00
Lafayette St. Mission,	M. Hickey,	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	P	
City Mission,	R. C. Crawford,	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00	42 00	42 00
Trenton.	L. D. Price,	232 00	232 00	97 00	97 00	P	
Birmingham,	Isaac C. Abbott,	200 00	200 00	150 00	150 00	P	
Pontiac,	Geo. Taylor,	240 00	240 00	130 00	130 00	100 00	100 00
Washington,	F. Brittan,	240 00	159 00	70 00	70 00	P	
Mount Clemens.	D. C. Jacokes,	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00	100 00	100 00
New Haven,	Thomas Seeley.	215 00	215 00	105 00	105 00	P	
St. Clair,	John M. Arnold,	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00	36 00	36 00
Newport,	E. House,	200 00	200 00				
Port Huron,	H. Law,	232 00	202 00	140 00	140 00	60 00	60 00
Lexington,	W. W. Johnson,	240 00	240 00	100 00	100 00	P	
W. S. F. Society,	A. M. Fitch,	256 00	256 00	244 00	244 00	200 00	200 00
ANN ARBOR DIST.	Wm. E. Bigelow, P. E.	216 00	214 00	175 00	173 00	100 00	98 40
Ann Arbor, 1st Church,	J. Blanchord,	216 00	216 00	175 00	175 00	P	
" 2d "	R. Bird.	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00	40 00	40 00
Ypsilanti,	Seth Reed,	248 00	248 00	150 00	150 00	52 00	52 00
Dearbornville,	S. Bessey,	272 00	236 00	102 00	91 00	48 00	48 00
Plymouth,	E. W. Bordon.	280 00	280 00	130 00	130 00	P	
Northville,	John H. Burnham,	232 00	200 00	85 00	85 00	65 00	55 00
Farmington,	I. F. Collins,	200 00	155 00	95 00	95 00	35 00	35 00
"	Wm. Fox,	200 00	170 00	75 00	75 00		
Milford,	John Levington,	248 00	248 00	75 00	75 00	45 00	45 00
Howell,	E. Westlake,	232 00	232 00	90 00	90 00	P	
Unadilla,	R. Goodell,	232 00	232 00	75 00	75 00	45 00	45 00
Mason,	H. H. Todd,	200 00	181 00	83 00	77 00	P	
Dexter,	Wm. P. Judd,	272 00	272 00	150 00	150 00	P	
Manchester,	C. Mosher,	280 00	280 00	88 00	80 00	P	
Saline,	J. S. Smart.	216 00	216 00	75 00	75 00	63 00	63 00
Clinton,	D. A. Curtis,	216 00	216 00	60 00	60 00	P	
MONROE DIST.	R. R. Richards, P. E.						
Monroe,	T. C. Gardner,	272 00	272 00	203 00	203 00	P	
Dundee,	Peter Sharp,	276 00	102 00	70 00	2 50	20 00	20 00
Redford,	W. Clazson,	216 00	130 00	100 00	50 00	15 00	15 00
Oakville.	E. R. Hascall,	224 00	224 00	125 00	125 00	P	
Flat Rock,	S. C. Stringham,	232 00	232 00	80 00	80 00	35 00	35 00
Ridgeway,	F. W. Warren,	232 00	232 00	80 00	80 00	30 00	30 00
Tecumseh,	J. F. Davidson,	248 00	248 00	200 00	200 00	P	
Adrian, 1st Church,	E. H. Pilcher,	264 00	264 00	224 00	224 00	P	
" 2d "	T. B. Granger,						
Medina,	S. C. Woodward,	216 00	216 00	60 00	60 00	P	
"	S. S. Littlefield,	100 00	100 00	25 00	25 00		
Palmyra,	Isaac Taylor,	200 00	200 00	62 00	62 00	P	
Franklin.	L. McQuigg,	100 00	100 00	75 00	75 00		
Liberty,	S. P. Warner,	282 00	227 00	100 00	100 00	26 00	26 00
Rome,	R. McConnell,	200 00	200 00	65 00	65 00	P	
N. W. Ch. Advocate,	J. V. Watson,	272 00	272 00	778 00	778 00	250 00	250 00
MARSHALL DIST.	R. Sapp, P. E.	240 00	220 00	150 00	121 00	85 00	85 00
Marshall,	H. Morgan,	240 00	240 00	150 00	150 00	78 00	78 00
Albion,	F. A. Blades,	232 00	232 00	130 00	130 00	100 00	100 00
Eaton Rapids,	Isaac Bennett,	264 00	264 00	100 00	100 00		
	Junior Preacher,	75 00	75 00	39 00	39 00		
Charlotte,	S. P. Barker,	216 00	150 00	105 50	71 50	P	
Jackson,	W. H. Perrine,	100 00	100 00	50 00			
"	S. Clements,	100 00	100 00	125 00	125 00		
Grass Lake,	M. B. Camburn,	216 00	216 00	75 00	75 00	43 00	43 00
Battle Creek,	Wm. Kelley,	216 00	216 00	140 00	140 00	P	
Union City,	F. Gage,						
Burlington,	W. G. Stonex,	232 00	180 00	60 00	60 00	25 00	25 00
Galesburgh,	A. A. Dunton,	200 00	176 15	60 00	60 00	P	
South Albion,	A. C. Shaw.	264 00	264 00	100 00	100 00	40 00	40 00
Marengo,	Henry Harris,	230 00	154 00				
Nottaway Ind. Mission,	E. H. Day,	248 00	248 00	75 00	75 00		
Wesleyan Seminary,	C. T. Hinman,	256 00	256 00	244 00	244 00		
" "	N. Abbott.	232 00	232 00	168 00	168 60	100 00	100 00
" "	P. S Donelson,	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00
" "	W. H. Brockway,	232 00	232 00	168 00	168 00	200 00	200 00
COLDWATER DIST.	John K. Gillett, P. E.	232 00	232 00	125 00	125 00	65 00	65 00
Coldwater,	James Somerville,	200 00	200 00	125 00	125 00	P	
Girard,	V. G. Boynton,	216 00	272 00	75 00	60 00		
Gilead,	J. E. McAllister,	100 00	100 00	50 00	50 00		

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CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUART'G'E		TABLE EXP		HOUSE RT	
		Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts
Sturgis,	J. Boynton,	200 00	117 82	70 00	52 28	50	50
Constantine,	F. May,	216 00	216 00	80 00	80 00	P	
Centerville,	H. Penfield,	272 00	272 00	100 00	100 00	P	
Jonesville,	Elijah Crane,	248 00	170 00	70 00	48 34		
Litchfield,	N. Mount,	240 00	240 00	80 00	80 00	P	
"	I. S. Finch,	100 00	100 00	45 00	45 00		
Hillsdale,	A. Campbell,	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00	65	65
South Hillsdale,							
Hudson,	Wm. Mothersill,	272 00	272 00	100 00	100 00	P	
Addison,	J. Dobbins,	200 00	200 00	70 00	70 00		
KALAMAZOO DIST.	F. P. Bangs, P. E.	240 00	240 00	100 00	100 00	75	75
Kalamazoo,	J. H Pitzel,	224 00	224 00	100 00	100 00	75	75
Otsego,	A. Wakefield,	200 00	200 00	80 00	80 00	32 50	32 50
Allegan,	F. Glass,	200 00	200 00	75 00	75 00	30	30
Ganges,	L. W. Earl,	216 00	216 00	100 00	100 00	12	12
Schoolcraft,	R. Pengelly,	216 00	216 00	85 00	85 00	45	45
Paw Paw,	W. Taylor,	232 00	206 00	112 00	92 00	55	55
Dowagiac,	W. Stafford.	248 00	180 00	75 00	60 00	40	20
Niles,	T. H. Jacokes,	216 00	216 00	150 00	150 00	P	
Edwardsburg,	Horace Hall,	216 00	216 00	93 00	93 00	P	
New Buffalo,	J. W. Robinson,	100 00	100 00	80 00	80 00		
Buchanan,	S. A. Osborne,	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00	P	
"	S. Hendrickson,	100 00	100 00	50 00	50 00		
St. Joseph,	Wm. F. Jenknis,	248 00	248 00	75 00	75 00		
Black River,	B. F. Doughty,	216 00	132 00	50 00	50 00	25	25
GRAND RIVER DIST.	D. Burns, P. E.	100 00	100 00	75 00	75 00		
Grand Rapids,	A. J. Eldred,	216 00	216 00	115 00	115 00	60	60
Paris,	R. C. Crane,	200 00	200 00	60 00	60 00	15	15
Talmage,	W. C. Comfort,	248 00	223 00	75 00	40 00	25	25
Sparta,	J. H. Harder,	116 00	116 00	39 00	39 00		
Hastings,	G. Bignell,	232 00	232 00	100 00	100 00	P	
Prairieville,	T. H. Bignell,	216 00	90 00	60 00	25 00	26	26
Flat River,	D. Thomas,	248 00	196 51	90 00	90 00	P	
Greenville,	N. Fassett,	200 00	200 00	90 00	90 00	40	40
Lyons,	O. Whitmore,	216 00	216 00	75 00	75 00	P	
"	A. R. Bartlett,	100 00	100 00				
Lansing,	L. Chatfield,	200 00	182 00	75 00	70 00	P	
De Witt,	J. S. Sutton,	100 00	100 00	40 00	40 00		
Duplains,	Wm. McKnight,	200 00	200 00			P	
Williamson,	Wm. Mullin,	200 00	200 00	65 00	65 00		
Muskegon,	G. W. Hoag,	224 00	138 00	50 00	50 00	12	12
Grand River, Ind. Mis'n,	O. D. White,	240 00	240 00	110 00	116 00	P	
"	H. Jackson,	200 00	200 00	50 00	250 00		
FLINT DIST.	Geo. Smith, P. E.	256 00	216 00	115 00	85 00	100 00	80
Flint,	Wm. Mahon,	240 00	240 00	115 00	110 00	55	55
Flushing,	G. N. Belknap,	232 00	232 00	62 00	65 00	P	
Grand Blanc,	S. P. Lee.	200 00	166 00	75 00	75 00	P	
Genesee,	J. J. Whitmore,	248 00	248 00	75 00	75 00	10	10
Fentonville,	G. W. Brown,	224 00	118 00	65 00	65 99	25	25
Clarkston,	S. Calkins,	200 00	100 00	95 00	60 00	40	40
Oxford,	B. F. Pritchard,	264 00	264 00	85 00	85 00	30	30
Hadley,	Thomas Wakelin,	224 00	224 00	91 00	91 00	P	
Romeo	Joseph Jennings,	216 00	216 00	100 00	100 00	P	
Almont,	I. Coggshall,	200 00	200 00	75 00	75 00	P	
Armada,	J. W. Holt,	216 00	150 00	50 00	50 00	P	
Lapeer,	H N. Brown,	216 00	216 00	85 00	85 00	P	
Shiawassee,	A. Bell,	232 00	185 00	75 00	60 00	P	
"	Thomas Clark,	216 00	118 00				
Bennington,	J. W. Cawthorn;	100 00	50 00	55 00	50 00		
"	T. J. Joslyn,	216 00	100 00	70 00	60 00	P	
Lower Saginaw,	Geo. Bradley,	224 60	224 00	75 00	75 00	75	75
Kazier Ind. Mission.	E. D. Young,	248 00	248 00	70 00	70 00		
Janesville "	P. O. Johnson,	248 00	248 00	75 00	75 00		
"	J. Kahbeejee,	224 00	224 00	26 00	26 00		
LAKE SUP. MIS. DIST.	James Shaw,	248 00	248 00	150 00	150 00	75	75
Sault Ste Marie Ind. Mis	E. Steel,	240 00	240 00				
"	Peter Marksman.	200 00	200 00	100 00	100 00		
	R. Dubois,	232 00	232 00	100 00	100 00	P	
Kewawenon,							
Fon du Lac.	S. Steel,	26460	264 00	200 00	200 00		
Eagle River,	N. Barnum,	200 00	76 72	150 00	56 00	24	24
Eagle Harbor,	J. Measures,	200 00	200 00	68 00	68 00	28	28
Ontonagon,	W. Benson.	200 00	28 00	150 00	150 00	33	33
Carp River.							

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Detroit District.										
Detroit { 1st Church,	1	20	150	550	1	100		20 00	120	
Detroit { 2d Charge,	1	27	200	400	1	100	35 00	9 45	41	
Detroit { French Mission,	1	10	75	100	1	30	12 00	1 79	10	4
Detroit { Lafayette St.,	1	23	138	340	2		25 00	3 25	26	17
Detroit { City Mission,	4	11	150	373	1		15 65		20	4
Trenton,	2	20	100	600	1	20	43 05	7 00	37	10
Birmingham,	2	27	127	450	1		18 00		45	
Pontiac,	1	15	148	250		42	8 00	1 00	23	3
Utica,	5	30	200	580	2		20 00		25	
Washington,	4	60	201	560			1 00		30	
Mt. Clemens,	3	14	100	200						
New Haven,	3	31	110	300						
Newport,	1	14	70	320						
St. Clair,	6	57	231	738		20	50 00	3 50	50	
Port Huron,	1	18	110	600			25 00	11 50	156	
Lexington,	4	32	126	634			17 60		22	
	40	409	2236	7395	10		259 70	57 49	605	38
Ann Arbor Dis.										
A. Arbor—1st Ch.,	1	12	81	200	1	19	6 40		17	
2d Ch.,	4	40	150	600	2	20	18 00		20	
Ypsilanti,	1	16	90	200	1		2 00		14	28
Dearbornville,	7	86	254	1396	1	6	8 75	4 59		5
Plymouth,	4	56	187	800	4		2 00			
Northville,	1	11	50	225		15	4 00		37	
Farmington,	6	60	150	680			33 00		17	3
Milford,	1	7	26	130						
Howell,	4	39	87	526	2	10	6 24			
Unadilla,	2	12	55	150	1				6	3
Mason,	6	40	210	560			10 00		36	
Dexter,	3	18	120	200	1	10	16 00		10	
Manchester,	9	56	159	611	6	6	70 67		23	
Saline,	2	18	105	300	2	12	40 00		20	1
Clinton,	4	32	106	611	2		16 93			
	49	503	1820	7189	23	98	269 99	4 59	200	40
Monroe District.										
Monroe,	1	21	128	200	1	62			33	6
Dundee,									30	
Redford,										
Flat Rock,	6	30	225	650	1	25	26 00		65	6
Oakville,	4	30	120	417	1	6			60	22
Ridgeway,	3	30	55	295		15	7 78	3 32		22
Tecumseh,	1	15	60	250	1	10	21 00		50	
Adrian, 1st Charge,	1	14	156	200	1	30	25 00	10 00		
2d Charge,	2	24	144	400	3	20	15 00		50	10
Medina,	9	72	344	955	4		22 00			
Palmyra,	3	22	130	480	1				22	2

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ranklin.	4	34	100	457	3	18	5 00	3 53	21	
iberty.	5	43	227	625			10 00		1	2
ome.	5	40	220	850			20 00		10	
	44	375	1909	5779	16	186	151 78	16 83	42	70
[ARSHALL DISTRICT.										
arshall,	5	54	401	600	5	75	40 00	14 12	62	
lbion,	1	12	70	180		10			75	
aton Rapids,	6	32	175	180	3			20 75	32	
harlotte,	7	58	318	500	4	42			20	11
ackson,	1	27	170	600	1	50	28 00		79	10
rass Lake,	1	10	100	150			16 00			
attle Creek,	2	29	156	300	2	10	14 28	6 06	49	
nion City,	6	30	200	200	1		50 00		100	
urlington,	10	47	200	800	1		1 00		30	
alesburgh,	8	63	265	820	1	28	22 38	4 00	20	18
outh Albion,	4	15	174	55	3		30 00		80	6
arengo,	3	28	65	378	1	15	5 00			
otaway Ind. Miss.,	1	3	20	50					5	
	55	408	2294	5873	22	230	206 66	26 93	562	45
OLDWATER DISTRICT										
oldwater,	1	17	175	200	1	40				
rard,	4	42	136	350		12	13 75		14	2
lead,	2	18	55	125			5 00			
urgis,	2	24	110	269	1	12	7 80	2 28	12	24
nstantine,	4	40	200	400	1	60				
nterville,	7	71	365	1200	3	16	40 22		45	
nesville,	6	43	132	425	1	10	37 00	50	18	8
chfield,	7	66	225	1112	5	16	23 70			
llsdale,										
uth Hillsdale,	3	6	65	50			5 00			
dson,	2	18	40	250			10 00	1 00	20	
dison,	3	27	110	350		10				
	41	372	1643	4791	12	176	137 47	3 78	107	34
LAMAZOO DISTRICT										
amazoo,	1	8	57	250	1	27	11 11	2 75	11	15
go,	5	45	126	405	3		32 53	2 00	51	3
gan,	3	24	90	269			16 00		25	2
ges,	4	16	78	456	1	4	2 00		29	
olcraft,	1	3	20	80						
Paw,	2	19	84	571	1		10 50	2 30	31	
agiac.	3	15	96	298	1					
s,	1	15	80	325	1					
rdsburgh,	3	35	138	600	1		15 00		22	3
Buffalo,	2	15	77	500	10	8	10 00		14	7
nanan,	8	50	200	1100	2		25 00	3 13		30
oseph,	6	45	125	642	1	25	22 00		30	

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Black River,	3	18	60	250		8				1
	42	305	1225	5798	22	72	144,14	10,18	213	59
Grand River Dist.										
Grand Rapids,	2	24	140	350	1	20	18,00	8,37	48	28
Paris,	5	25	119	415	3		20,00	10,00		2
Sparta,	6	25	120	462	2		12,00			
Hastings,	6	40	160	539			34,00			
Prairieville,	4	26	75	260			3,00		56	
Flat River,	5	30	170	450	1		15,00	1,00	55	10
Greenville,	5	45	150	500	2	30	5,00	2,75	24	2
Lyons,	8	63	300	800	2		15,00		87	
Lansing,	3	15	97	300			10,00		40	
De Witt,	5	25	100	300			12,50		34	
Duplains,	3	33	115	348	2	17	9,00		32	
Williamson,	3	20	65	10			5,00		53	
Muskegon,	4	25	120	265			37,22		20	
Grand Riv. Ind. Mis.	1	20								
	65	450	1866	5599	13	67	210,52	23,42	499	42
Flint District.										
Flint,	2	21	160	300					30	30
Flushing,	2	19	100	300		12	34,68	3,00	20	
Geand Blanc,	4	45	175	490	1	12	9,63		23	3
Genesee,	3	18	70	450			11,00			
Fentonville,	5	50	150	406	1		5,00		30	
Clarkston,	10	70	385	500	1		5,00		10	12
Oxford,	5	32	150	440	1		5,00			
Hadley,	3	35	145	400			55,00		103	3
Romeo,	1	16	123	471	1		20,00		40	
Almont,	4	43	135	600			15,10		30	
Armada,	7	37	163	635	1		24,00		2	
Lapeer	3	17	58	350	1		17,00		52	
Shiawassee,	4	26	120				22,00		13	
Burlington,	6	45	136	389	4		16,78		10	2
Saginaw City, Lower Saginaw,	3	20	140		1		17,00	1,00	20	
Kazier Ind. Mission,	3	9	146	158			12,00		10	
Janesville Ind. Mis.	2	3	40							
	67	506	2396	5889	12	24	274	4,00	441	52
Lake Superior Dist.										
Saut Ste. Marie,	1	8	29							1
Kewawenon,	2	4	30	20						3
Fon du Lac,										
Eagle River,	2	20	65	220	2	19	22,00		26	
Eagle Harbor,										
Ontonagon,	1	3	15	50		5				

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Carp River,	1	7	30	200					10	
Recapitulation	7	122	369	670	2	24	22,00		36	4
Detroit District,	40	409	2236	7395	10	312	259,70	5,74	9605	38
Ann Arbor Dist.	49	503	1540	7189	23	98	269,99	4,59	200	40
Monroe Dist.	44	375	1909	5779	16	186	157,78	16,85	342	70
Marshall Dist.	55	408	2294	5873	22	230	206,66	26,93	562	45
Coldwater Dist.	48	372	1643	4791	12	176	137,47	3,78	107	34
Kalamazoo Dist	42	305	1225	5798	22	72	144,14	10,18	203	59
Grand River do.	65	450	1866	5599	13	67	210,52	23,42	470	42
Flint District.	67	506	2396	5889	12	24	274,19	4,00	441	52
Lake Sup'r Dist.	7	122	369	670	2	24	22,00	0,00	36	4
	417	3450	15767	48783	132	1159	1676,43	147,24	2975	384
Last Year,	365	3034	14891	41218	98	1277	1523,00	109,00	2093	124
Increase,	52	410	876	7765	34	87	153.43	38,24	872	260
Decrease.										

REPORT ON TRACTS.

The Committee on Tracts, report that the Tract Society of the Methodist E. Church was instituted by the last General Conference. It has been adopted by every annual Conference which has thus far held its session the present year; it has provided a list of between *four and five hundred tracts*, and a volume series of about fifty books. It has also now abroad in the church numerous agents and colporteurs, and its plans are in vigorous operation throughout a large portion of the country. These facts prove that the providential time for such a movement among us has arrived, and that our people appreciate its importance.

Your committee do not deem it necessary to discuss the claims of a cause whose importance is so obvious. Believing that this Conference, will, like its sister Conferences, enter immediately and energetically into the enterprise, we submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st. That a Tract Society, auxiliary to the Tract Society of the M. E. Church, be formed by this Conference.

2d. That we will commend this cause to the liberality of our people, by taking up collections for it, by scattering its publications among them, and appointing Tract Stewards in our own respective charges, according to the recommendation of the Parent Board.

2d. That an opportunity be now presented for the members of the Conference to become members of this society by the payment of one dollar, the annual fee; and to state at the same time what amounts they will be responsible to collect in their respective charge for the cause the ensuing year; it being understood that one half the sum so collected shall be returned in tracts to the Church giving.

Names of persons nominated for officers of the Conference Tract Society:

FOR VICE PRESIDENTS,

E. CRANE,
E. H. PILCHER,
BENJAMIN SABIN,
GEORGE BRADLEY,
J. F. DAVIDSON.

R. SAPP, Corresponding Secretary,
M. B. CAMBURN, Recording Secretary,
H. MORGAN, Treasurer.

MANAGERS.

J. Blanchard,
J. K. Gillet,
Stephen C. Woodward,
Isaac Bennet,
S. C. Stringham,
David Burns,
Salmon Steele,
D. A. Curtis,
H. Law,
J. H. Pitzel,
Wellington Willits,
Hon. Ross Wilkins,
John Owen,
Wm. Barnum,
James Burns,
B. L. Webb,
Wm. Phelps,
Elisha Eldred,
of Detroit.
W. M. McConnel, Pontiac,
Capt. A. Edwards,
C. C. Nichols,
Trenton.

As a further item of our Report, six dollars have been contributed to the Parent Tract Society, by Galesburg Circuit, Marshall District.

Resolved, That the action of this Conference in relation to the Tract Cause be published in the Annual Minutes, and also in the North Western Christian Advocate, and in the Christian Advocate and Journal.

WM. TAYLOR, Chairman of Tract Com.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The duty of the Church to promote a sound and practical education, and to establish and watch our literary institutions with especial reference to their moral and religious character, being now so well understood, we deem it necessary only to express, that our interest in this cause continues unabated; and would embody our sentiments in the following resolutions:

1st. That we are glad to learn that the efforts to improve the financial condition of the Albion Seminary have been successful; an old debt of $7,000 having been liquidated; the new building paid for, and the interest now due, annually, on scholarship being sufficient to meet the current expenses of the Institution.

2d. That we deem it the duty of every member of the Conference to aid the Seminary, by making known its high literary and religious character, and in every proper way promoting its honor and success.

3d. That we recommend the appointment of the following persons, as a Visiting Committee, to attend the examinations during the ensuing year, viz: His Excellency, Andrew Parsons: Hon. Ross Wilkins, Hon. J. Mayhew, Hon. J. M. Howard, Prof. A. S. Welch, Prof. E. O. Haven, Revd's J. A. Baughman, W. G. Stonex, J. K. Gillet, J. E. Parker, and J. M. Arnold.

4th. That we highly approve of the enterprise, of establishing a literary institution of the highest order, in the vicinity of Chicago, Ill., to be denominated the Northwestern University, and placed under the control of the several Conferences of the M. E. Church.

5th. That the liberal Christian spirit of a few friends of the cause in Chicago and vicinity, by whom a favorable site for the Institution and other property has been already procured for the University, deserves our thanks and encourage us to believe that the efforts will succeed; and that we cordially unite with the Wisconsin, Iowa, and Rock River Conference, and earnestly invite other Conferences in the vicinity to unite with us in establishing and upholding a University of the highest order.

6th. That, though we regret the loss of Dr. Hinman, as Principal of the Albion Seminary, yet, from his popularity and success in that station, we appreciate the wisdom of the Trustees of the Northwestern University, in electing him President of that Institution.

7th. That we cordially invite the Rock River Conference to unite with the Michigan Conference, in patronizing the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, and that our hearty endorsement of the Northwestern University depends on such patronage.

8th. That we rejoice to see the prosperity of the University of Michigan—an honor to the State—and approve of the action of its Regents, undoubtedly coincident with the wishes of a vast majority of the people of Michigan, recognizing the need of christian influence in the Institution, by the election of Professors connected with various denominations of christians in the State.

9th. That while we heartily and most decidedly disapprove of allowing any denomination of Religionists to use Common Schools to promote their peculiar tenets, yet we deem it the duty of all christians to unite in upholding our public schools, and in insisting that the highest principles of morality be in them inculcated.

E. O. HAVEN,
T. C. GARDNER,
J. M. ARNOLD,
SETH REED,
J. H. PITEZEL,
} Committee on Education.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SLAVERY.

The Committee on Slavery have had the subject referred to them under consideration, and beg leave to present the following, as their report :

The evil of Slavery still exists in our land. We are as much as ever opposed to it, and believe the time has come for us to exert our moral and christian influence for its entire extirpation. The admission of slave holders into the church of Christ, doubtless gives it countenance and support. In our opinion, there is now sufficient light upon the subject to render it the duty of the Methodist Episcopal Church to make immediate efforts to purify herself from any species of influence to strengthen or uphold a system of oppression, which our venerable Wesley declared only four days before his death, to be "the vilest that ever saw the sun."

Resolved, Therefore, by the Michigan Annual Conference assembled, that we regard all slaveholding as sinful, except where the mere legal relation is retained for the special purpose of emancipation, and attended with diligent efforts to qualify the slave, not merely for a christian servant, but a free man.

Resolved, That we regard the admission of additional slave holding members into the Church to be attended with so many and so great evils, that efficient means should at once be adopted to prevent it.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. H. COLLINS, Chairman.

The report of the committee on the Bethel cause showed some $25,000 raised during the year by the agent, Rev. A. M. Fitch, and he was reappointed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on the subject of Temperance would submit the following report:

We are happy to know that the cause of temperance is commanding the respect and support of all true-hearted philanthropists in every land. During the last few years, this cause has received a new and signal impetus under the benevolent and untiring labors of the indefatigable Neal Dow, the veritable author of the "Maine Law." May his name and his glorious deeds emblazon the annals of fame till the stars grow dim with age, and the centre of our system cease to shine, then may his memory, kindled into life by the light of the Eternal Throne, shine as a star forever and ever.

The friends of temperance, while struggling with a long night of error which brooded over the world on this momentous subject, long felt the necessity for some efficient law which would effectually prohibit the diabolical traffic in intoxicating liquors. Such a law we have now in a number of the States, and particularly our own, by an overwhelming popular vote, sufficient to astonish every sister State, and to raise a popular tide so high and strong that all the minions of the tyrant will not be able to roll it back.

There is but one sentiment, one aim among temperance people, however much they may have differed. They all find a common platform, a basis of

effort in the Maine law, and though divided into different organizations, for organization is strength, and consequently an essential element of success, they are but different divisions of the same army, fighting in the common cause, against a common enemy which has already blasted the loftiest hopes of man, and laid waste the fairest portions of God's heritage. Success to these organizations, and success to the common cause. Therefore,

Resolved: 1st. That we heartily approve of the Maine law, and pray that it may become in fact, and emphatically the law of nations.

2d. That as this law has a positive bearing upon the moral and religious interests of man, we most heartily approve of those ministers who labored most assiduously for its promotion during the late temperance campaign in this State.

3d. That those ministers who are opposed to, or refuse to declare publicly for the law, have proved recreant to the interests of religion and morality.

4th. That as members of the Michigan Annual Conference, and as citizens of the commonwealth, we will cheerfully and heartily do all in our power, consistent with our high and holy calling to carry forward the benevolent objects of the law, and to secure its ultimate triumph.

O. W. WHITMORE, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society in account with H. Morgan.

CR. BY AMOUNTS RECEIVED.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

DETROIT—1st Charge—By W. H. Collins,		$100 00
Congress Street Church—B. C. C. Olds, (Sunday School collection,)	$11 78	
Infant Class,	1 68	
Annual collection,	29 75	43 41
Lafayette Street—By M. Hickey, (Sunday School collections,)	5 00	
Public,	15 00	20 00
The above to constitute Mrs. S. A. Hickey Life Member of the Parent M. Society,		
French Mission—By T. Carter,		27 00
City Mission—By R. C. Crawford, on account of bequest of Charles Lee,	50 00	
From other sources,	15 00	65 00
TRENTON—By L. D. Price, by the Church, to constitute Mrs. T. Ward a Life Member of the Parent Society,	20 00	
By the Church to constitute Mrs L. A. Price a Life Member of Parent Society,	20 00	
By the Church, to constitute C. C. Nichols a Life Member of the Parent Society,	20 00	
By Mrs. C. Edwards, to constitute Miss H. Edwards Life Member of the Parent Society,	20 00	
By Mrs H. M. Davis, to constitute Miss E. Davis a Life Member of the Parent Society,	20 00	
By Capt. A. Edwards, to constitute Capt. Ira Davis a Life Member of the Parent Society,	20 00	
By Capt. I. Davis, to constitute Capt. A. Edwards a Life Member of the Parent Society,	20 00	140 00
BIRMINGHAM—By I. C. Abbott,		57 37
PONTIAC—By G. Taylor,		34 00
WASHINGTON—By F. Britton,		17 90
NEW HAVEN—By T. Seely,		12 47
ST. CLAIR—By J. M. Arnold, public collection in St. Clair,	12 65	
Public collections at Pine River appointment,	2 46	
St. Clair Sabbath School collections,	2 33	
By J. Boothe,	1 00	18 44

Port Huron—By H. Law, remitted to N. Y.,	20 00	
Cash paid over,	35 00	55 00
Lexington—By W. W. Johnson,		23 63
Utica—By H. Worthington,		35 00
Mount Clemens,		
Newport,		
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.		
Ann Arbor—1st Church, applied to French Mission,	30 00	
One box of Caps for I. Mission.	12 00	
Cash,	34 00	76 00
Second Church, on account of legacy by Joseph Eggleston,	100 00	
From other sources, and applied to French Mission,	5 00	105 00
Ypsilanti—By S. Reid,		
Goods,	33 00	
Contributed to French Mission,	21 00	
Two rings,	1 63	
Cash,	28 50	85 13
Dearbonville—By S. Bessey, Frairi's Class,	1 12	
Sheldon's Class,	12 18	
Wood's Class,	2 58	
Homer's Class,	7 47	
Robbin's Class,	6 37	
Pullin's Class,	14 10	
Nankin Class,	14 25	
Huron Class,	3 87	
Belville,	12 75	
Wayne,	10 18	
Rawsonville,	3 55	
Box of Clothing for Indian Mission,	48 00	136 40
Plymouth—By E. W. Borden,		
Collection at the Plains,	6 61	
" " Plymouth,	5 25	
" " the Ridge.	3 20	
" " South Lyons,	5 00	
" " Farley's,	93	
" " the Free Church,	70	
Collected by Mrs. Mary P. Hatch.	20 25	
" " Miss Sarah Worden,	20 00	
" " " Sylvia J. Leland,	10 25	
" " Nelson Tindall,	2 24	
Contributed by A. Farley,	1 25	
" " Miss E. Farley,	50	
" " " E. A. Dwelle,	1 50	77 68
Northville—By J. H. Burnham.		
Applied,	9 00	
Cash,	2 50	11 50
Farmington—By I. F. Collins,		
Farmington appointment, per collectors, as follows:		
George Brownell,	8 13	
G. Webster, (Domestic Miss.,)	1 12	
Sarah Horton,	1 59	10 84
West Bloomfield—Appointment per Collectors, as follows: Jane Horton,	2 42	
Mary Coonly,	1 58	
Samuel Batchelor,	50	
Spencer Winslow,	50	4 92

Walled Lake—Appointment per Collectors, as follows:			
James Addison Banks,		4 37	
Lodica Welch,		3 24	7 61
Franklin Appointment, per Collectors, as follows:			
J. F. Warren,		6 15	
Sarah C. Congleton,		4 62	10 77
Livonia Appointment, per Collectors, as follows:			
Charles Collins,			3 97
Pine Lake Appointment—Collected by James Murray,			2 92
Commerce Appointment, per Collectors, as follows:			
Levi Moore,		3 43	
Allen Cook,		2 31	5 74
Waterford Appointment, per Collectors, as follows:			
John E. Owen,		5 00	
Elizabeth Hiller,		3 50	8 50
Swits Lake Appointment, per Collectors, as follows:			
Wm. K. Young,		4 90	
Thomas Eagle,		2 37	7 27
Green Hollow—Collected by Mary Walters,			3 47
Redford Appointment—Collected by Eliza Armstrong,			3 23
Dearborn Appointment, per Collectors, as follows:			
George Maxwell,	7 00		
Laura A. Clisbee,	2 70		
Emily Fraser,	2 06	11 76	
Nankin Appointment, per Collectors, as follows:			
Samuel Harris,	2 15		
Marrita Warden,	1 02		
Hannah Asherton,	2 00	5 17	
Paid I. Mission,		5 63	
From sundry persons,		3 29	89 25
Milford—By J. Levingston, last year's collection,		45 58	
Applied,		9 00	
Cash,		56 16	110 74
Howell—E. Westlake,			17 25
Unadilla—By R. Goodell,			10 00
Mason,			
Dexter—By W. P. Judd, applied to French Mission,			7 48
Manchester—By C. Masier, by Collectors, as follows:			
Augusta Peck,		11 69	
Susanna Dancer,		10 00	
Jennette Boynton,		18 00	
Helen Cushman,		4 16	
Nancy Easton,		4 73	
Mary R. Dewey,		10 10	
E. Raymond,		4 03	
Hannah Peckens,		3 25	
Miss S. Carr,		3 85	
Mary Aulls,		2 53	
Helen Delamater,		2 00	
Eliza Wheeler,		2 93	
Rev. C. Moshier,		2 73	80 09
Saline—By J. S. Smart,			18 00
Clinton—By D. A. Curtis, applied,		4 53	
Cash,		11 80	16 33
			$840 76

MONROE—By T. C. Gardner,			
By J. D. Morton,		20 00	20 00
DUNDEE,			
REDFORD—By W. Clayson, remitted to Cincinnati,		5 00	
Cash,		13 00	18 00
OAKVILLE—By E. R. Hascall, Birch Church Appointment,			
Public Collection,	7 34		
Subscription of sundry persons,	37 00	44 34	
Oakville Appointment,		21 85	
London Appointment, by public collection,		5 52	
By sundry persons.		3 00	
Paint Creek appointment, public collection,		1 29	
Griffin's Appointment,		2 62	
Stoney Creek Appointment,		13 02	
Sandy Creek Appointment, public collection,	4 04		
By sundry persons,	4 32	8 36	
From other sources,		2 00	102 00
FLAT ROCK—By S. C. Stringham,			8 00
RIDGWAY—By F. W. Warren, applied,		10 76	
Cash,		26 04	36 80
TECUMSEH—By J. F. Davidson,			26 00
ADRIAN—1st Church, by E. H. Pilcher,			
Applied to Kazier Indian Mission,		12 25	
" French Mission,		17 00	
Raised by Sabbath School,		10 00	
Draft,		63 75	93 00
Adrian—2d Church, by T. Granger, applied,		12 41	12 41
MEDINA—By S. C. Woodward, collected as follows:			
J. P. Canley,		28 50	
Harriet M. Webber,		20 25	
George Skoots,		7 52	
Gilbert Mann,		1 50	
Jane Cross,		14 00	
Minerva Robb,		9 27	
J. Bailys,		6 40	
Polly A. Cross,		22 25	
Charles How,		11 82	
Public Collections,		22 20	
Sent to New York, by L. Goss,		5 75	
Raised at Missions,		25 95	175 16
PALMYRA—			
Franklin—By L. McQuigg, in goods for Flint Indian Mission,		56 15	
Cash,		15 45	71 61
LIBERTY—By S. P. Warner,			13 00
ROME—By R. McConnel, applied,		2 62	
Cash,		18 00	20 62
			$587 98
MARSHALL—By H. Morgan,			
Appropriated by the French Church,		51 41	
From the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, Marshall,		19 63	
From the Sunday School, to constitute Dr. O. C. Comstock, Jr., Life Member of the Parent Society,		20 00	55 04

ALBION—By L. A. Blades.			
From Female Missionary Society of Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, to be applied to the New Turkey Mission,	9 00		
Cash,	29 50	36	50
EATON RAPIDS—By J. Bennett,			
Applied to Grand River Indian Mission,	17 00		
Miss Alma Freeman, for China Mission, remitted to New York,	5 00		
Ladies' Union Sewing Society, at Parma—cash,	2 00		
Goods for Grand River Mission,	11 50		
From Dean's Society,	19 75		
" Posse's "	10 05		
" Cowen's "	10 55		
" Draper's "	5 00		
" Eaton Rapids Society,	15 00		
" Roger's Society,	1 50		
" Mills' "	1 29	98	60
(Of the above remitted to N. Y., $31 75.)			
CHARLOTTE—By S. P. Barker,		4	37
JACKSON—By W. H. Perrine,		5	00
GRASS LAKE—By M. B. Camburn,		25	00
UNION CITY—			
BURLINGTON—By W. G. Stonex,			
Goods sent to Five Points Mission,	8 00		
Cash,	3 00	11	00
GALESBURGH—By A. A. Dunton, collected as follows:			
By Hannah Mills,	15 56		
By Jane Allen,	11 00		
By Esther A. Cole,	10 00		
By Mary Morse,	1 80		
Pollone Day,	1 69		
Public collection,	4 50		
SOUTH ALBION—By A. C. Shaw,			
South Albion Appointment, per Collectors, as follows:			
Mary A. Farley, 6 30			
Margaret Kinney, 4 00			
Catherine Bemham, 3 28			
Cash, 5 70	19 28		
Spring Arbor French Missionary Society, cash, 40 00			
Clothing for Nottawa Indian Mission, 42 01	82 01		
Concord Appointment,	15 00		
Hanover Appointment, per Collectors as follows,			
Rhoda A. Fuller, 1 50			
E. M. Read, 6 50			
T. Rose, sent to N. Y., 5 00	13 00		
West Concord Class,	15 50		
Paid to Nottawa Indian Mission,	11 00		
Cash by Wm. Farley,	2 00		
Clothing from South Albion Female Missionary Society, sent to N. J. Mission,	31 69		
From a friend of Missions, by I. Bennet,	5 90		
From other sources,	16 53	202	01
BATTLE CREEK—By Wm. Kelley.			
Class No. 1, per Alice Taylor, collector,	3 90		
" " 4, " Alvira Gleason, "	4 75		

" " 10, " E. J. Morehouse, "	11 90	
" " 11, " Lucy C. Hall, "	11 87	
Battle Creek, public collection,	7 49	
Contributed to French Mission, cash,	1 83	
Goods,	3 00	
Goods for Indian Mission,	15 00	59 54
Marengo,		4 00
Nottawa Indian Mission, by E. H. Day,		23 00
		$568 61
Coldwater—By J. Summerville, (from Sunday School, 4 00)		26 15
Girard—By V. G. Boynton,		13 00
Gilead—By J. E. McAlister, (applied 1 00)		16 30
Sturgis—By J. Boynton, remitted to N. Y. $3 00,		15 00
Constantine—By F. W. May,		17 00
Centerville—By H. Penfield.		
Remitted to Five Points Mission, by Mrs. W. Amery,	1 00	
Contributed,	1 00	
Clothing sent to Nottawa Indian Mission, by Mrs. Millard and Miss Bacon,	18 50	
Cash,	28 22	40 72
Jonesville—By E. Crane,		13 00
Litchfield—By N. Mount.		
For Grand River Mission, applied,	10 48	
Cash,	13 10	23 58
Hillsdale.		
South Hillsdale,		
Hudson—By W. Mothersill,		27 00
Addison—By J. Dobbins,		10 00
Kalamazoo District.		
Kalamazoo—By J. H. Pitezell,		14 20
Otsego—By A. Wakefield, collected as follows:		
By Margaret A. White,	4 75	
By Elizabeth Smith,	3 25	
By Judith Otto,	2 75	
From Wardsworth,	3 00	13 75
Allegan—By F. Glass,		2 17
Ganges,		
Schoolcraft,		
Paw Paw—By Wm. Taylor, collected as follows:		
By Hannah Odell,	3 75	
By Malinda Vicory,	7 75	
In Sabbath, at Paw Paw,	2 10	
By Hannah Goodrich,	6 50	
By Sabbath School of Lafayette,	2 75	
Public collection,	2 42	25 27
Dowagiac,		
Niles—By Wm. Sprague,		17 80
Edwardsburgh—By H. Hall, collected as follows:		
By Susan Hopkins,	1 08	
By Olive Ellis,	1 81	
By Mary Rogers,	15 12	
By Mary Lee,	56	
By Salinda Howard,	3 30	
By Emily Aldrich,	2 12	
By Elizabeth Walton,	50	

By Hannah Seely,	1 41		
By Henry Aldrich,	1 64		
By Russell Allen,	1 50		
By collections,	3 81	32 85	
New Buffalo—By J. W. Robinson.			
Public Collections,	5 29		
Sabbath School Mission Box,	3 17	8 46	
Buchanan—By S. A. Osborn.			
Applied,	5 00		
Cash,	46 00	51 00	
		$209 75	
St. Joseph,			
Black River,			

GRAND RIVER DISTRICT.

Grand Rapids—By A. J. Eldrid,		9 60	
Paris,			
Talmage—By W. C. Comfort,		28 76	
Sparta,			
Hastings,			
Prarieville,			
Flat River—By D. Thomas,			
Clothing applied,	11 25		
Cash,	14 23	25 48	
Greenville—By N. Fassette.		5 00	
Lyons—By A. R. Bartlett,		85 62	
Lansing—By L. Chatfield,			
Clothing applied,	49 00		
Cash,	2 00	42 00	
Dewitt—By J. S. Sutton, applied,		7 69	
Duplains,		3 62	
		$207 77	
Williamson,			
Muskegon.			
Grand River Indian Mission.			

FLINT DISTRICT.

Flint—By Wm. Mahon,			
Clothing, applied,		50 00	
Cash, for Five Points Mission	50	50 50	
Flushing—By G. N. Belknap,		12 00	
Grand Blanc—By S. P. Lee,		29 63	
Genesee—By J. J. Whitmore,		10 00	
Fentonville—By G. W. Brown,		4 36	
Clarkston—By S. Calkins,		30 46	
Oxford—By B. F. Prichard,		30 00	
Hadley—By T. Wakelin,		8 00	
Romeo—By J. Jennings, (applied $3 00)		20 00	
Almont—By I. Cogshall,			
Clothing,	14 25		
Cash,	8 20	22 45	
Armada—By J. W. Holt,		10 18	
Lapeer—By H. N. Brown.			
Applied to Kazier Indian Mission,	16 00		
Cash,	26 97	42 97	
		$270 55	

Shiawassee,		
Bennington,		
Saginaw City,		
Saginaw Germon Mission,		
Lower Saginaw,		
Kazier Indian Mission,		
Jonesville Indian Mission,		
Sault Ste. Marie,		
Kewawenon—By R. Dubois,		
Applied,		32 00
Fondulac,		
Eagle River—By S. Steel, applied to Kewawenon Mission,		25 00
Cash,		71 00
Eagle Harbor—By N. Barnum,		10 00
		$138 00
Ontonagon,		
Carp River,		

RECAPITULATION.

Cr. by Detroit District,	649 22		
" Ann Arbor District,	840 76		
" Monroe District,	587 98		
" Marshall District,	568 61		
" Coldwater District,	209 75		
" Kalamazoo District,	165 50		
" Grand River District,	207 77		
" Flint District,	270 55		
" Lake Superior Mission District,	138 00		3638 14
" Annual subscription of members of the Con.,			78 00
" Anniversary collection at Conference,			31 00
" To constitute the Rev. Wm. Case a Life Member of Con. M. Soc.,			10 00
" Cash in the Treasury of last year,			7 32
" Unexpended appropriation of Missionary money to G. R. I. Mission, returned by Rev. D. Burns,			116 00
			$388 460
Dr. to Cash paid T. Phillips, as per receipt,	2946 13		
" Cash on Hand,	137 32		
" Cash remitted to N. Y.	60 75		
" " " " Cincinnati.	10 75		
" Cash for publishing the Minutes,	25 00		
" Several amounts raised for particular Missions, and applied as per Preacher's reports,	700 51		$3,880 46

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Bible as to Sacraments—F. B. Bangs.
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Fletcher's Appeal—Isaac Bennett.
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Butler's Anology—Joseph Jennings,
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" J. Shaw,
" T. Thorley,
" R. C. Crawford,
" N. H. Callard,
Rev. Z. Bell,
" C. Babcock,
" H. Gerring,*
Mr. O. C. Thompson,
Rev. R. Triggs,
" P. Wareham,
" O. F. North,
" W. Jackson,*
" Bp. Hedding,*
Mrs. Bp. Hedding,*
" W. H. Brockway,
Master S. P. Brockway,
" Jason H. Pilcher,
Rev. Geo. Lane,
Mrs. G. Lane,
D. D. Whedon, D. D.
" John Gray,
" Joseph Ivey, Esq.,
" Joseph Harvey,
Mrs. Elizabeth Jennings
Miss Margaret A. White
Miss E. M. Allen,
Miss Emily Rowe,
Mrs. S. A. Hickey,
" P. Wakefield,
Rev. H. Harris,
Miss Samantha Gwin,
" Charlotte Pierce,
Mrs. E. H. Morehouse,
" L. Hall,
" Alice Taylor,
" D. A. Cogshall,
Mr. William Jennings,
Mr. Richard Angwin,
Rev. John Tonkin,
" Jos. Jennings,
" Alfred Bryant,
Mr. Thomas Dutton,
" John Pemah-quaung,
" George Waine-geega-yich.
Mrs. Jenny Coman, of N. Y. city.
" Susanna Mason,
" Mary A. Gould,
Mr. Edwin Wesley Barnum.
Rev. Samuel Bessey,
Mrs. Sarah Brownley,
" Frances Main,
" Statira Smith,
Miss Hannah Mills,
" Jane Allen,
" Esther A. Cole,
Mrs. M. C. Dunton,
Rev. J. Boynton,
Mr. Nelson Tuttle,
Mr. A R. Bartlett,
Miss Augusta Peck,
" Susanna Dancer,
" Jenett Boynton,
" Hellen Cushman,
" Frances Easton,
" Mary R. Dewey,
" E. Raymond,
Rev. J. S. Smith,
" J. A. Baughman,
" S. C. Woodard,
Mrs. Jenney Coman,
Mr. Orsan Starr.

ABSTRACT OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE WESLEYAN SEMINARY AT ALBION, FOR THE PAST YEAR.

FIRST.—ASSETS.

1.—Grounds and Buildings, - - - -	25,000	
2.—President's House, - - - - - -	2,000	
3.—Thirty-two village lots ($50 each,) -	1,600	
4.—Furniture and Fixtures, - - - -	2,400	
5.—Positive Scholarship Notes and Mortgages,	61,029	
6.—Interest due on the same, - - - -	4,248 90	
7.—Original Scholarship Notes, (about) -	15,000	
8.—The Strickland House, - - - -	300	111,577 90

SECOND.—LIABILITIES.

1.—To the State of Michigan, - - - -	$1,070	
2.—All other indebtedness, - - - -	400	1,470 00
Balance of Assets, - - - - - - -		$110,107 90

NOTE.—Full settlements are made with the Agent of the Board at the end of every term, and by the Agent with every other person employed, at least once a year.

Four thousand dollars of indebtedness have been paid off during the past year.

The cost of conducting the Institution for the ensuing year, as estimated, will be, - - - - - - - -	$3,500
The amount of interest on positive Notes due in 1854, will be	4,052 78
Leaving a balance in favor of the Institution of	$552 78
Amount of interest falling due 1855. - - - - -	4,845 01

The following was received and ordered to be placed on the journal:

CHICAGO, September 21, 1853.

To the Secretary of Michigan Conference:

RESOLVED, That we will heartily co-operate with the Michigan Annual Conference, in patronizing and sustaining the Albion Female Collegiate Institute.—Unanimous rising vote.

P. JUDSON,
Sec'y of Rock River Conference.

TO THE MEMBERS
OF THE MICHIGAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Dear Brethren: We here present you as perfect a copy of the minutes of our Conference, for its late sessions, as we were able to prepare in so short a time as was allowed us in your anxiety to receive them.

ELIJAH H. PILCHER,
ANDREW M. FITCH,
MANASSEH HICKEY,
W. H. COLLINS,
} Committee.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 28th, 1853.

MINUTES

OF THE

NINETEENTH SESSION

OF THE

MICHIGAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

HELD

IN THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR,

September 13—20, 1854,

WITH AN APPENDIX.

ANN ARBOR:
POND'S ARGUS BOOK AND JOB PRESS PRINT.
1854.

MINUTES.

I CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION.

THE Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, commenced its nineteenth session in the city of Ann Arbor, Sept. 13, 1854, at 9 o'clock, A. M., Bishop O. C. Baker, presiding.

The President opened the Conference by reading the Scriptures, singing, prayer and the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The roll of members was then called by T. C. Gardner, Secretary of last year. The most were present and responded to their names.

The Conference proceeded to the election of Secretary, when T. C. Gardner was chosen Secretary and R. C. Crawford, Assistant Secretary.

The following standing Committees were then appointed:

On Public Worship—W. E. Bigelow, T. C. Gardner, A. Bell and E. O. Haven.

Stewards—F. B. Bangs, F. A. Blades, S. Steele.

On Missions—J. A. Baughman, W. E. Bigelow, E. H. Pilcher, R. Sapp, J. K. Gillett, T. H. Jacokes, D. Burns, G. Smith, J. Blanchard and J. Shaw.

Mission Auditing Committee—M. B. Camburn, R. Pengelly and E. W. Borden.

On Education—W. H. Collins, E. O. Haven, C. T. Hinman, J. F. Davidson and D. C. Jacokes.

On Sunday Schools—A. J. Eldred, G. Taylor and J. Somerville.

On Temperance—W. H. Brockway, W. C. Comfort, E. Westlake, E. Holdstock, W. G. Stonex, D. A. Curtis and I. Cogshall.

On the Bible Cause—J. H. Pitezel, I. Bennett, H. N. Brown.

On Publication of Minutes—S. Clements, Jr., W. E. Bigelow, T. C. Gardner and E. H. Pilcher.

On Post Offices—G. W. Brown.

On Tract Cause—M. Hickey, W. Benson, S. Reed, H. Law, J. Boynton, F. Glass, E. D. Young, P. O. Johnson, J. S. Sutton, B. F. Pritchard.

On Bethel Cause—L. D. Price, E. Steele and W. Taylor.

On Slavery—H. Penfield, J. S. Smart, J. M. Arnold, G. Bradley and R. Bird.

On Parsonages—J. Jennings, S. A. Osborn and A. C. Shaw.

On Conference Seminary—W. P. Judd, E. Crane and H. Morgan.

On Systematic Benevolence—T. Carter, I. C. Abbot, O. D. W. White and H. Morgan.

On Observance of the Sabbath—O. Whitmore, S. Calkins, W. P. Judd.

On the State of the Church and Pastoral Address—A. M. Fitch, J. H. Burnham, S. C. Woodard, W. H. Perrine, V. G. Boynton, A. Wakefield, G. Bignell, J. Levington, J. W. Holt and H. N. Brown.

On Statistics—W. Mahon, C. Mosher, J. E. McAllister, N. Fassette, N. Mount, T. H. Bignell, G. W. Hoag, S. P. Lee, B. F. Pritchard and G. N. Belknap.

On Memoirs—S. Steele, E. Crane, R. C. Crane.

On Colonization—W. H. Collins, E. H. Pilcher and J. A. Baughman.

II. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1. Who have been admitted on trial?

Answer—Alvin L. Crittenden, Ira H. Camburn, Ira E. Smith, Porter Williams, Lewis Mitchell, John G. Whitcomb, William M. Heavener, Edwin Finch, Almon Gore, William F. Jenkins, Samuel N. House, Henry O. Parker, Thomas Lyon, Henry Harris, Asahel Beach, Edmund C. Chambers, C. W. Murray, Nelson L.

Brockway, George Palmer, Robert Johnson, Charles Johnson, Edwin H. Brockway, William Fox, William McKnight—24.

Question 2. Who remain on trial?

Answer—Benj. H. Hedger, Daniel D. Gillett, Elias B. Prindle, Charles W. Seaman, Loren M. Bennett, Joseph Elliott, Barber N. Sheldon, Isaac S. Finch, Seth B. Finch, Isaac N. Thoms, Orlando Sanborn, David B. Tracy, John O. Bancroft, Park S. Donelson and William Stafford—15.

Question 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer—Erastus R. Hascall, Solomon S. Littlefield, Jacob Dobbins, Thomas J. Joslin, Sewell P. Barker, John J. Whitmore, John W. Cawthorn, Jacob S. Harder, Lewis W. Earl and Henry Jackson—10.

Question 4. Who are the Deacons?

Answer—Erastus R. Hascall, Solomon S. Littlefield, Jacob Dobbins, Thomas J. Joslin, John J. Whitmore, John W. Cawthorn, Jacob S. Harder, Henry Jackson, Lewis W. Earl, Silas P. Warner, Alfred A. Dunton, William H. Perrine, Jesse E. McAllister, James W, Robinson, Franklin W, May, Thomas H. Bignell, Alanson R. Bartlett, John Levington, John H. Burnham, Jeremy Boynton, W. W. Johnson, R. C. Crane, S. Clements, Jr., Benj. F. Pritchard and Peter Marksman—25.

Question 5. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

Answer—William Mahon, Orrin D. W. White, Samuel P. Lee and Sylvester Calkins—4.

Question 6. Who have located this year?

Answer—James Measures, R. R. Richards, John Kahbage.

Question 7. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Answer—None.

Question 8. Who are the Superannuated or worn out Preachers?

Answer—Robert Triggs, Alvan Billings, William Todd, Benj. Sabin, Benj. F. Doughty, J. E. Parker, Andrew Bell and Stephen C. Woodard.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the connection this year?

Answer—None.

Question 10. Who has withdrawn from the connection this year?

Answer—William Kelly.

Question 11. Were all the Preachers' characters examined?

Answer—This was strictly attended to, by calling over their names before the Conference.

Question 12. Who have died this year?

Answer—Lee McQuigg and Nelson Barnum, (see Memoirs.)

Question 13. What is the number of Members, and what of Probationers in Society?

Answer—16,959 Members, and 2,241 Probationers.

Question 14. What amounts are necessary for the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers, and to make up the deficiency of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

Answer—On the claims of effective men, $3,173. On those of the Superannuated Preachers, Widows and Orphans, $1,496—$4,669,00.

Question 15. What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

Answer—From the different charges as a "fifth collection" there has been received - - - - - - - - - - $424,32

From the "Chartered Fund," - - - - - 35,00

From the public collection at Conference, - 35,25 $494,57

This amount has been applied as follows, viz:

Paid to Alvan Billings,	$66,00	Paid to Widow Chaplin,	$32,50
Robert Triggs,	66,00	Brakeman,	48,50
William Todd,	66,00	Ruark,	52,50
Nelson Barnum,	32,50	Ercanbrack,	32,50
Widow King,	32,50	Roberts,	2,62
Staples,	48,50	For Stationery,	1,94
Fox,	32,50		
			$494,25

In addition to the above amounts, we have received in interest from the "Parkhurst Fund," which, according to the condition of the Fund, is applied to the Widows and Orphans of deceased

Preachers, - - - - - - - - - - $36,61

This sum has been apportioned as follows, viz :

To Widow King,	$5,00
Staples,	6,00
Fox,	5,00
Chaplin,	5,00
Brakeman,	5,61
Ruark,	5,00
Ercanbrack,	5,00
	$36,61

Question 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions; what for the Sunday School Union; what for the publication and circulation of Tracts; and what to aid the American Bible Society?

Answer—For Missions, $3,449,62; for the Sunday School Union $119,36; for Tracts, $511,57; for American Bible Soc'y, $457,77.

Question 17. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

Answer—

DETROIT DISTRICT—W. H. COLLINS, P. E.

Detroit.
- Woodward Avenue—*A. D. Wilbor.*
- Congress Street—*M. Hickey.*
- Lafayette Street—W. H. Perrine.
- French Mission—*T. Carter,* one to be supplied.
- City Mission—*J. W. Holt.*

Trenton—*J. F. Davidson.*
Flat Rock—*R. McConnell,* R. Johnson.
Farmington—*R. Goodell,* one to be supplied.
Commerce—*F. Brittan.*
Pontiac—*J. Somerville.*
Birmingham—I. W. Donelson.
Utica—S. P. Barker.
Mt. Clemens—To be supplied.

A. M. Fitch, Financial Secretary of the Western Seaman's Friend Society, and member of the Lafayette Street Quarterly Conference.

J. A. Baughman, Agent of Tract Society of M. E. Church, and member of Woodward Avenue Quarterly Conference.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—W. E. BIGELOW, P. E.

Ann Arbor—1st Charge, *T. C. Gardner.*
2d " *E. W. Borden.*
Ypsilanti—*F. A. Blades.*
Oakville—Charles Johnson, C. W. Seaman.
Belville—*E. Westlake.*
Wayne—*C. Mosher,* one to be supplied.
Plymouth—Wm. Fox.
Northville—*Wm. Taylor.*
South Lyons—E. R. Hascall.
Milford—*Wm. Benson.*
Brighton—Wm. M. Heavener.
Howell—*O. D. W. White.*
Pinckney—B. H. Hedger.
Williamsville—one to be supplied, E. B. Prindle.
Mason—Thos. Lyon, E. H. Brockway.
Dexter—*R. Bird.*
Saline—*J. Jennings.*
Chelsea—*E. Steele.*

E. O. Haven, Professor in the Michigan University, and member of the First Charge Quarterly Conference.

ADRIAN DISTRICT—E. H. PILCHER, P. E.

Adrian—1st Charge, *A. J. Eldred.*
2d " To be supplied.
Tecumseh—*Wm. P. Judd.*
Ridgeway—S. P. Warner.
Manchester—J. E. McAlister.
Napoleon—To be supplied.
Liberty—I. H. Camburn.
Rome—To be supplied.
Franklin—D. B. Tracy.
Morenci—*F. W. Warren*, E. Finch.
Palmyra—*T. B. Granger.*
Bedford—J. Dobbins.
Monroe—*S. Reed.*
Dundee—To be supplied.
Clinton—S. S. Littlefield.

J. V. Watson, Editor of the North-Western Christian Advocate, and member of the Adrian 2d Charge Quarterly Conference.

MARSHALL DISTRICT—GEO. BRADLEY, P. E.

Marshall—*S. Steele.*
Albion—*Wm. Mahon.*
Battle Creek—*R. C. Crawford.*
Parma—*M. B. Camburn.*
Eaton Rapids—*B. P. Chase.*
Charlotte—*G. W. Hoag.*
Bellevue—*E. H. Day.*
Jackson—*J. S. Smart.*
Grass Lake—*H. Law.*
Henrietta—H. Harris.
South Albion—*F. Gage*, one to be supplied.
Marengo—N. L. Brockway.
Burlington—I. E. Smith.
Galesburgh—*I. C. Abbott.*
Hastings—To be supplied.
Nottaway Ind. Miss.—D. Thomas, J. Elliott.

C. T. Hinman, President of the North-Western University.

W. H. Brockway, Agent of the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion.

N. Abbott and *C. C. Olds*, Professors; all members of Albion Quarterly Conference.

COLDWATER DISTRICT—J. K. GILLETT, P. E.

Coldwater—*F. B. Bangs.*
Gilead—S. B. Finch.
Union City—*N. Fassett*, one to be supplied.
Centreville—*V. G. Boynton.*
Constantine—*H. Hall.*
White Pigeon—*I. Taylor.*
Sturgis—*E. Crane.*
Girard—*N. Mount.*
Quincy—I. S. Finch.
Litchfield—*Wm. Mothersill.*
Jonesville—*E. Holdstock.*
Hillsdale—F. W. May.
Hudson—*H. Morgan.*
Addison—E. C. Chambers.
Osseo—B. N. Sheldon.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—T. H. JACOKES, P. E.

Kalamazoo—*D. Burns.*
Cooper—Wm. Stafford.
Otsego—W. F. Jenkins.
Allegan—*J. H. Pitezel.*
Ganges—*J. T. Robe.*
Schoolcraft—*F. Glass.*
Ostemo—P. Williams.
Paw Paw—*Wm. C. Comfort.*
Niles—J. Boynton.
Dowagiac—J. W. Robinson, one to be supplied.
Edwardsburgh—*S. A. Osborn.*
New Buffalo—A. Beach.
St. Joseph—T. H. Bignell, *S. Hendrickson.*
Black River, To be supplied.
Buchanan, *R. Pengelly.*

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—H. PENFIELD, P. E.

Grand Rapids, *R. Sapp.*
Paris, I. N. Thoms, one to be supplied.
Talmadge, A. R. Bartlett.
Sparta, To be supplied.
Muskegon, A, Gore.
Flat River, *I. Bennett*, L. M. Bennett.
Boston, Wm. McKnight.
Laphamville, W. W. Johnson.
Greenville, *A. Wakefield.*
Ionia, *Geo. Bignell.*
Portland, A. L. Crittenden, Geo. Palmer.
Matherton, To be supplied.
Lansing, P. S. Donelson.
De Witt, A. A. Dunton.
Du Plain, S. N. House.
Williamston, J. S. Harder.
Grand River Ind., Miss. *E. D. Young* H. Jackson.

FLINT DISTRICT, GEO. SMITH, P. E.

Flint, *J. M. Arnold.*	Lapeer, *O. Whitmore.*
Flushing, *S. Calkins.*	Marathon, To be supplied.
Grand Blanc, J. W. Cawthorn.	Tuscola, To be supplied.
Corunna, J. Levingston, L. Mitchell.	East Saginaw, S. Clements.
Bennington, J. J Whitmore.	Lower Saginaw, *I. Cogshall.*
Byron, R. C. Crane, one to be supplied.	Kazier Ind. Miss., P. Marksman.
Fentonville, T. J. Joslin.	Janesville Ind. Miss., *P. O. Johnson.*
Clarkston, *S. Bessy,* one to be supplied.	Genesee, *T. Wakelin.*
Hadley, *G. N. Belknap.*	

ROMEO DISTRICT, J. BLANCHARD, P. E.

Romeo, *G. Taylor.*	Port Huron, *D. C. Jacokes.*
Almont, *J. S. Sutton.*	St. Clair, *W. G. Stonex.*
Dryden, J. G. Whitcomb.	Newport, D. D. Gillett.
Armada, J. O. Bancroft.	New Haven, O. Sanborn.
Memphis, *S. P. Lee.*	Washington, To be supplied.
Gratiot, H. O. Parker.	Oxford, *T. Seeley, John Gray.*
Lexington, *A. C. Shaw.*	Tuscola, To be supplied.
Clyde, To be supplied.	Forestville, To be supplied.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT, J. SHAW, P. E.

Saut Ste Marie, *L. D. Price.*	Minnesota Mines, *D. A. Curtis.*
Kewawenon, *R. Dubois.*	Marquette, *H. N. Brown.*
Ontonagon, J. H. Burnham.	Portage Lake, L. W. Earl.
Eagle River and Harbor, *S. C. Stringham,* C. W. Murray.	Trap Rock, B. F. Pritchard.

George W. *Brown,* Transferred to North Ohio Conference.

Question 18. When and where shall our next Conference be held?

Answer—At Flint, Genesee county, Sept. 12, 1855.

III. COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION FOR 1855.

FIRST YEAR.

Bible,	J. M. Arnold,
Watson's Institutes, 1st Part,	A. J. Eldred,
Wesley's Christian Perfection,	I. Bennett,
Grammar,	Noah Fassette,
Essay,	M. B. Camburn.

SECOND YEAR.

Bible—Sacraments	F. A. Blades,
Institutes, 2nd Part,	S. Reed,
Peck's Christian Perfection,	H. Hall,
Fletcher's Appeal,	R. C. Crawford,
Discipline,	G. Bradley,
Church Polity,	T. C. Gardner,
Essay,	W. C. Comfort.

THIRD YEAR.

Bible History,	D. C. Jacokes,
Institutes, 3rd Part,	R. Bird,
Butler's Analogy,	H. Penfield,
Hibbard on Baptism,	A. C. Shaw,
Ruter's Church History,	O. Whitmore,
Rhetoric,	J. H. Pitezel,
Logic,	I. Taylor,
Essay,	Wm. Taylor.

FOURTH YEAR.

Review of the Course,	W. H. Brockway,
Institutes, 4th Part,	F. B. Bangs,
Claude's Essay,	G. Bignell,
Horne's Introduction,	S. Steele,
Essay,	I. Cogshall.

LOCAL DEACONS.

Bible Doctrines,	H. Morgan,
Bible—Sacraments,	L. D. Price,
Church Government,	W. G. Stonex,
Common English,	P. O. Johnson.

LOCAL ELDERS.

Review of the Course,	J. F. Davidson,
Bible History,	R. Pengelly,
Systematic Divinity,	S. A. Osborn,
Composition,	D. Thomas.

IV. DELEGATES TO ECCLESIASTICAL BODIES,

IN FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE WITH THIS CONFERENCE.

THE MINISTERS stationed in the places where those Bodies respectively hold their Sessions.

V. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

1.—Conference Vice President of S. S. Union,

Rev. T. C. GARDNER.

2.—Conference S. S. Society.

Rev. G. Bradley, *President*, V. G. Boynton, *Treasurer*,
M. B. Camburn, *Vice President*. I. Taylor, *Secretary*.

Directors.—Rev. F. W. May, J. Boynton, G. Bignell, L. D. Price, F. W. Warren.

3.—Resolution.

That it is the imperative duty of Preachers having charge of Circuits or Stations, to take collections for the Sunday School Union of the M. E. Church.

Note.—Certificates of Life Membership of the S. S. Union, are in the hands of the Conference Vice President. Those wishing to obtain them during the year, will make application accordingly.

VI. TRACT ENTERPRISE.

Conference Agent, Rev. J. A. BAUGHMAN.

CONFERENCE SOCIETY.

1.—Constitution.

Article 1. The title of this Society shall be, "The Tract Society of the Michigan Conference, auxiliary to the Tract Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

Art. 2. The object of this Society shall be to promote the purposes of the Parent Tract Society, by obtaining funds for it, and circulating Tracts and volumes within the bounds of the Conference.

Art. 3. The members of this Conference shall be members of this Society, and the payment of Five Dollars or more at one time, shall constitute a member for life; and the payment of Twenty Dollars at one time, a Director for life.

Art. 4. The Board of Managers shall consist of a President, who shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Conference; of five Vice Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty Members—Ministers and Laymen

ART. 5. The Treasurer shall remit, as early as practicable, to the Treasurer of the Parent Society, such portion of the funds paid to him as the Board shall direct.

ART. 6. The annual meeting of the Society shall be held at the Session of the Conference, when the Corresponding Secretary shall submit the annual Report, the Treasurer exhibit a certified statement of his accounts, and the election of Officers and Members for the ensuing year be held. There shall also be held an Anniversary Meeting of the Society, at the same time and place.

2.—Officers.

President—The President of the Conference.

Vice Presidents—Rev. W. H. BROCKWAY, A. M. FITCH, F. B. BANGS, GEORGE BRADLEY, O. WHITMORE.

Corresponding Secretary.—T. C. GARDNER, *Recording Secretary.*—D. BURNS.

Managers.

Hon. Ira Mayhew,	O. C. Comstock, Jr.,	A. C. Robinson,
Rev. N. Abbott,	Wm. Farley,	T. Hamilton,
" J. S. Smart,	B. F. Packard,	Allen Buck,
S. O. Knapp,	John Williams,	Rev. L. Davis,
E. J. House,	Rev. A. Billings,	" F. Gage,
Rev. I. Bennett,	" W. C. Comfort,	" N. L. Brockway,
" R. Bird,	" C. C. Olds.	

3.—Conference Resolutions.

Resolved 1. That this cause demands special attention, and we recommend therefore the appointment of an Agent to promote its interests within the bounds of this Conference.

Resolved 2. That we will heartily co-operate with such an agent in our respective Charges.

Resolved 3. That we will make special effort to raise funds in aid of the operations of this Society.

Resolved 4. That the Presiding Elders be requested at their Quarterly Meeting Conferences, to ask what has been done for the Tract Enterprise.

4.—Treasurer's Report.

DETROIT DIST.—Birmingham 18,00, Utica 6,34, Farmington 10,00, Pontiac 5,95, French Mission 1,09, Mt. Clemens 4,37.

ANN ARBOR DIST.—Milford 9,00, Howell 5,00, Oakville 15,00, Saline 3,00, Plymouth 5,00, South Lyon 2,38.

ADRIAN DIST.—Medina 9,50, Clinton 5,00, Ridgeway 10,00, Franklin 5,00, Adrian 2nd Charge 10,00.

MARSHALL DIST.—Parma 17,83, Eaton Rapids 5,00, Galesburgh 10,00.

KALAMAZOO DIST.—Paw Paw 5,00, Dowagiac 12,56, Allegan 10,00, Otsego 5,00.

Coldwater Dist.—Centreville 20,00, Litchfield 10,00, Sturgis 5,00, Hudson 8,53, Coldwater 10,00.

Grand Rapids Dist.—Sparta 10,00, Talmadge 8,00, De Witt 7,12, Lansing 4,00, Du Plain 1,25.

Flint Dist.—Flint 25,00.

Romeo Dist.—Oxford 12,00, Romeo 2,83, Armada 11,00, Almont 5,00.

Individual Donations.—J. Burns 5,00, E. Eldred 2,00, Cash 25,—Revs. J. K. Gillet 10,00, L. Chatfield 15,00, G. Taylor 5,00, J. Shaw 20,00, R. Pengelly 5,00, S. Clements, Jr. 5,00.

Anniversary Collection 19,60. Total $420,82.

H. MORGAN, Treasurer.

5.—Life Members of Conference Tract Society.

Rev. Bangs F. B.	Rev. Mahon W.	Mrs. Sutton Mary C.
Bignell T. H.	McAllister J. E.	Rev. Taylor G.
Blanchard J.	Mosher C.	Taylor W.
Boynton J.	Pengelly R.	Tracy D. B.
Comfort W. C.	Price L. D.	Wakefield A.
Gillet J. K.	Shaw J.	Warren F. W.
Harder J. S.	Mrs. Shaw Caroline,	Woodard S. C.
Hickey M	Miss Shaw Diantha,	Mrs. Woodard C. A.
Lee S. P.	Master Shaw Francis E.	

VII. STATISTICAL TABLES.

1. Numbers in Society, Church Property, Sunday Schools, Missions, Tracts, Bible Society, Fifth Collection.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	IN SOCIETY.			CH URCH PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.									AMOUNTS RAISED FOR				
	Membs.	Prob.	L. Prs.	Ch's.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	Membs. Died.	S. Sch'ls	Officers & Tchrs.	No. of Scholars	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes	No. in fants.	Tri. Ex. of Sch'ls.	S. Sch'l. Advcte.	No. Conversions.	Miss'ns.	Z. S. Union.	Tract Society.	A. Bible Society.	Fifth Coll'c'n.
DETROIT DISTRICT—																					
Woodward Avenue	210	18	1	1	25,000			11	1	20	100	500	1	100	100 00	80		150 00	10 00	10 00	40 48	27 44
Congress street	130	10	3	1	14,000	1	5,000	1	1	24	126	400	2	75	110 00	40		74 20	5 00	12 00	19 77	9 34
Lafayette street	108	25	2	1	5,000	1	800	4	1	20	136	360	1	35	18 00	27	20	76 78	4 87	5 00		5 50
French Mission	15	11	1	1	5,000	1	1,000	1	1	14	80	150	1	40	27 00	24	3	3 00	1 14	1 09		3 63
City Mission	60	10		1	1,000			4	3	24	240	600	2		11 00	20		50 00		1 00		
Trenton	84	23	1	1	1,500	1	300		2	21	76	630	1	40	15 00	44	1	51 75	2 00		60 00	9 22
Mount Clemens	59	5		1	1,200	1	300	1	2	23	109	350		20	15 00	32	1	15 58		4 37		
Flat Rock	159	33		1	1,500	1	400	2	5	30	150	1000	1	15	5 75	30		15 74			8 00	
Farmington	250	26	5						4	37	190	480						50 10		13 00		
Birmingham	220	25	3	3	3,000	1	500	4	4	30	280	560	2	30	40 00	60	5	75 25		18 00		10 13
Pontiac	148	1	2	1	1,500				1	13	125	300	1	30	31 18	26		32 35	7 09	5 95	20 00	
Utica	86	27	1	1	2,000			2	4	35	115	510			27 00	10		28 00		7 34		
	1529	214	19	13	60,700	7	2,300	30	29	291	1727	5240	12	385	399 93	393	30	652 75	30 10	77 55	148 25	65 25
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—																						
Ann Arbor—1st. Charge	145	2	4	1				2	1	18	120	234	2	14	17 09			36 00			20 00	
" " 2d. "				1	800			1	2	16	80	300	1		15 00	10		24 72		4 50		
Ypsilanti	196	10	1	1	5,000				1	16	90	200	1			14						
Oakville	171	31	5	3	3,000	1	200	3	1	58	263	847	2	25	53 84	47	35	80 27		15 00	12 00	16 55
Dearborn ville	274	32	2	4	2,500			2	9	110	37	1489	3	31	89 17	53		161 56	14 15	3 25		1 26
Plymouth	160	42	1	3	4,000	1	200	3	2	24	105	310	1	6	18 00	3	16	36 50		5 00		4 32
Northville	55	1	2	1	1,50			1	1	11	52	306		15	7 50	41	3	4 17	1 20			
Northield	149	6	1	2	2,500	1	800	5	1	6	36	150			10 00							
Milford	234	9	4	2	1,800	1	400	1	6	46	160	1600	1		17 40	12			9 72	9 00		3 09
Howell	116	13	4	1	1,500	1	350	1	2	8	42	170		8	5 69	5	2	12 00		5 00		
Pinckney	275	100	7	2	3,500			1	5	27	141	493	1		5 00	11		29 40				
Mason	130	90		1	1,000	1	200	1	7	56	210	737	1	11	34 00	36		50 50				

Dexter	100	3	2	1	1,500	1	800	2	2	20	70	400		8	15,00			15,00					
Manchester	120	1	1	2	2,600	1	700	2	3	12	80	350			7,00	300		23,27					
Lima	94	4	1	2	1,700	1	200	1	2	12	40	500				21							
Saline	189		4	1	1,500	1	1,000	1	2	18	85	350	1		20,00	21		18,00		3,00			14,00
	2398	344	39	28	34,400	10	4,850	27	47	458	1947	7850	14	118	314,60	574	56	491,47	25,07	44,75	32,00	46,22	
ADRIAN DISTRICT—																							
Adrian—1st. Charge	180	4		1	9,000	1	1,800	2	1	10	130	200		25	12,11	10		75,49		12,00	13,50	9,35	
" 2d. "	105	2	1	1	1,200			2	1	18	80	272	1	20	20,00			1,78		10,00			
Tecumseh	90	5		1	1,000	1	800	1	1	16	83	250	1	15	13,66	32		20,64		5,00	7,94	6,00	
Clinton	85	3		1	2,500	1	100	3	3	12	52	250						10,50		5,00		2,00	
Ridgeway	111	13	3	1	700			3	2	20	50	250				24		55,42	3,00	10,00		5,37	
Dundee	107	3		1	50	1	400		3	20	10	300						11,28		6,42			
Bedford	71	8	3	1	1,000				2	19	50	300						5,00					
Monroe	90	7		1	6,000	1	2,000	5	1	18	100	300	1	40	20,00	22		51,00					
Palmyra	80	16	1	3	3,500	1	1,000	1	4	40	200	2000	2	200	55,00	15	4						
Medina	270	30		2	2,200	1	250	3	10	84	333	1032	5		18,50	102		109,14	7,00	9,50		17,38	
Rome	125	19	2	2	1,400	1	200		5	51	327	800			10,00	22		24,34	5,45	4,50		3,69	
Liberty	117	20	2			1	500	1	5	50	175	646			26,50			35,51				8,19	
Franklin	111	9	5	1	1,200	1	600	1	4	23	100	457	3	10		40		112,92		5,00			
Napoleon	106		1	1	1,500													85		6,15			
	1648	139	18	17	31,250	10	7,650	28	42	381	1780	7057	13	310	175,77	267	4	513,87	15,45	73,57	21,44	51,98	
MARSHALL DISTRICT—																							
Marshall	130	20	1	1	4,000	1	850	2	2	44	166	421	3	40	10,36	38	20	48,12			19,28		
Albion	164	2	2	1	8,000	1	2,000	1	1	12	50	175	1	10		28	1	18,00		5,00	6,00	5,00	
Parma	182	23	3	3	3,000			1	2	14	65	180			6,00	10		76,63		17,83		12,50	
Eaton Rapids	101	9	1	1	1,200			1	2	19	70	350	2	12	14,26	35		3,56	2,50	5,00			
Charlotte	308	81	6	1	2,000	1	800	3	7	54	222	600	8		24,25	15	25	43,28		5,00		15,81	
Jackson	98	11		1	6,000			1	2	30	160	600	1		80,00	120	1	9,00	5,75		7,00	1,00	
Grass Lake	105	20	2	1	1,000	1	800	2	1	10	100	200			20,00	21		5,00	2,00	1,00		4,00	
Henrietta Mission	71	18	3					1	4			250											
South Albion	319	65	4	4	3,000	1	500	8	4	30	120	200			10,00	25		62,00	2,00			18,00	
Marengo	94	22	1					2	3	14	75	273		9	20,00								
Burlington	94	1	1	2					2	15	70	350	1		18,85	20							
Battle Creek	206	5	1	1	1,000	1	1,000	4	2	28	112	300	2	12	40,00	51		58,84			6'04	6,00	
Galesburgh	180	30	4	2	2,000	1	700		3	24	90	400			31,00			29,61		10,00			
Hastings	214	24	1	1	350	1	150	2	5	48	194	390	2	40	10,00	12	1	10,25					
Nottawey Indian Mission	128							2	1	1	40	100			15,00			32,00					
	2394	331	30	19	31,550	8	6,800	31	41	343	1534	5089	20	123	299,72	385	48	396,29	2,2 5	43,83	38,32	62,31	
COLDWATER DISTRICT—																							
Coldwater	137	3	2	1	2,000	1	1,000	2	1	22	181	350	1	30	35,50	42	6	195,00	3,00	10,00	15,00	5,00	
Girard	136	24	2	1	300	1	250	2	5	61	183	616	1	26	28,00	55	7	35,25				2,50	

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	Membs.	Prob.	L. P'rs.	Ch's.	Prob. Value.	Parson-ages.	Prob. Value.	Membs. Died.	S. Sch'ls	Officers & T'chrs.	No. of Scholars.	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes.	No. in Ft Cl'ss.	Tril. Ex. of Sch'ls.	S. Sch'l. Adv'cte.	No. Con-versions.	Miss'ns.	S. S. Union.	Tract Society.	A. Bible Society.	Fifth Coll't'n.
COLDWATER DISTRICT—																					
Union City	100																				
Centreville	376	41	8	4	2,500	1	700	9	12	160	631	1945	6	24	93,76	103	25	85,25		20,00	18,00	24,95
Constantine	200		1	4	5,000	1	500	2	6	40	206	400	1	50							4,00	
Sturgis	114	9	3	1	1,000			1	3	34	140	337	2	15	8,00	33	2	26,87		5,00		7,70
Gilead	82	18						1	2	20	63	232			7,00	10		9,18				2,00
Litchfield	347	14		2	2,000	1	450		4	28	80	500	1	25	13,00	20				10,00		
Jonesville	150		2	3	5,000			2	4	35	125	450	2	2	13,00	10				5,00		
Hillsdale	29			1	1,000																	
Osseo	112	14	4			1	200	2	4	30	155	280	1	25	25	15		16,00				
Hudson	169	16		2	3,600	1	650		3	36	152	600	2	24	15,00	55		59,80		8,56	11,38	11,50
Addison	161	16		1	500			4	4	30	143	427			10,00	150	4	11,00	1,00			
	2113	155	22	20	22,900	7	3,750	25	48	496	2066	6137	18	224	22,351	493	44	438,35	4,00	38,56	48,38	33,65
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—																						
Kalamazoo	111	21	1	1	2,000	1	1,000	2	1	14	60	200	1	20	10,00	15	20	37,51				7,79
Cooper	100	3	2					4	6	36	130	400	1	36	20,00	27	1					
Otsego	118	16	1	1	1,500			1	3	25	78	350	1		34,00	14	3	10,00		5,00	20,53	10,00
Allegan	77	7	3	1	1,000			3	3	34	127	330	3	22	35,18	30		21,80		10,00		1,15
Ganges	42								4	11	58	500				22		2,38				1,00
Schoolcraft	90		2	2	2,000													17,00				6,00
Ostemo	86		2																			
Paw Paw	81	16	1	1	2,500				1	16	55	650	1		20,00	24	6	25,43	2,75	5,00	13,85	5,63
Dowagiac	261	32	5	1	400			2	8	53	241	1120	3	22	16,93	100		19,00	7,61	12,57		
Niles	86			1	1,000	1	400	2	2	20	160	600	1	20	22,04	36		15,00	2,50	5,00		6,00
Edwardsburg	191	32	1	1	1,500	1	450		3	33	115	700	2		30,00	30	6	86,50				17,00
Buchanan	191	3	3	3	2,500	1	400	8	7	66	240	1029	1		25,00		1	18,00			5,00	
New Buffalo	37	10							2	20	75	500	2	20	30 00	10	8	11,88			4,00	3,50
St. Joseph	175	10	3			1	500		6	12	151	600	2		44,36	42						
Black River	93	21	1			1	200	2	4	18	106	230	1		22,00	35	2			5,00		
	1709	171	25	12	14,400	6	2,950	24	50	358	1604	7232	19	140	309,51	385	47	264,50	12,86	42,57	53,38	58,07
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—																						
Grand Rapids	196	33	3	1	1,500	1	1,000	3	3	40	198	676	3		48,00	40	4	21,70	7,15		5,00	10,00
Paris	120	34						1	3	22	77	318	3		3,00	27		7,51				
Talmadge	64	27		1	800	1	200	3	4	18	75	300	2		24,50	38	3	34,83		5,00		6,53
Sparta	94	21	1					1	5	37	116	425	3		7,40	33			1,00	10,00		

Muskegan	25	4						2	2	12	70	120	1		16,00	22							
Flat River	190	38	1	1	1,000	1	300	2	2	10	44	202	1		15,00	15	4	11,15		30,00			
Greenville	115	20	1	1	1,600				5	33	175	530			49,75	97	2	16,37	75				
Ionia	132	34	1	1	600			1	6	47	234	1145	1	8	92,00	78	16	36,00		6,83	15,00		
Lyons	217	26	7			1	400	1	6	49	175	876	2	25	28,98	48		63,20				20,04	
Lansing	112	20	1	1		1			2	26	120	650			50,00	50	30						
De Witt	144	26	1			1	800		3	32	105	300	1	4	17,50	37		31,47		7,72			
Du Plain	102	7							3	23	140	273			16,25								
Williamston	84	23						2	3	15	95	170			5,00	10							
Grand River Indian Mission	72	4		1	600	1	80	1	2	5	35	20											
FLINT DISTRICT—	1667	317	16	7	6,100	7	2,780	17	49	365	1550	6003	15	37	363,38	485	59	222,23	8,90	59,55	20,00	26,57	
Flint	182	6	8	1	3,000	1	600	1	2	15	125	400	1	10	50,00	50	3	50,00	1,00	25,00	20,00	4,00	
Flushing	94	18	1	1	1,000	1	400		3	30	130	250			8,00	47		22,00			8,00	2,23	
Grand Blanc	116	6	5	2	3,000	1	500	1	6	60	180	900		12	20,00	40		23,95		8,00	11,00	3,00	
Genesee	123	5	3	1	1,000	1	150		4	28	112	597			20,00	10		8,50			5,00		
Corunna	146	1	3																				
Bennington	107	43	3			1	350	1	6	38	118	473			35,85	99							
Byron	150	72	2			1	350	1	5	41	210	900	2	2	14,00	23	3	18,00		10,00		2,00	
Fentonville	158	44	1	1	1,500			3	5	52	135	660			15,00	35	22	9,42		93		5,46	
Clarkston	185	22	1	2	1,600			6	7	59	250	550	1		35,00	26		17,30	3,73			5,81	
Hadley	141	63	2	3	2,800	1	500	1	1	15	80	150			9,78	15		44,38			12,00		
Lapeer	67	7		2	1,500	1	700		2	20	140	350	2	24	25,00	20	5	21,00		6,00	40,00	4,00	
Marathon Mission	31	21							2	9	48	182			5,00	23							
Tuscola "	71	14				1	100		2	7	75	120		8	12,00	4							
East Saganaw	35			2	2,600	1	400											60,86					
Lower "	7			1	2,500				1	4	30	80		1	16,00	23		4,00	3,00			10,00	
Kazier Indian Mission	248		2	1	500	2	250	7	2	12	75	50			6,00	20	3						
Janesville "	185	9	3	5	2,000	4	700	1															
ROMEO DISTRICT—	2046	331	34	22	23,000	16	5,000	22	48	390	7708	5662	6	57	271,63	425	36	279,41	7,73	49,93	96,00	36,50	
Romeo	159	32	1	1	3,000	1	1,000	1	1	16	140	500	1		15,00	40	25	37,77	3,00	2,83		7,41	
Almont	145	5		1	700	1	400	1	3	33	115	460	2			10		24,46		5,00		1,75	
Attica Mission	18	8	1	1	1,000			2	2	26	140	240		26	13,50	44	21						
Armada	90	19	2			1	200	1	4	27	103	575				59		5,00		11,00			
Lexington	106	26	2			1	300	1	6	66	200	900	4		40,00	46	7	10,00			10,00		
Clyde	34	13	1						9	25	135					71		6,06		23,43			
Port Huron	75		3	1	10,000			1	1	26	110	650	1										
St. Clair	68	15	1	1	1,200			1	2	18	90	400	2		16,00	20				7,90			
New Port	85	19	1	1	1,000			2	3	32	175	450		35	42,75	60	5	5,73					
New Haven	120	20				1	300	1	3	34	120	400			32,00	34		7,00				9,00	
Washington	140	10	2	2	2,700	1	300	1	4	74	208	480		8	5,00	40		67,00				5,12	

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Oxford	250	10	4	1	800	1	550	2	5	38	180	510	2	30	37,00		1	27,73		12,00		5,60
	1280	177	18	9	20,400	7	3,050	14	43	409	1716	5560	12	99	201,25	424	59	190,75	300	61,26	10,00	28,88
LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—																						
Saut. St. Marie	75	10	1				1,200	1	1	7	40		1	12			4					
Kewawenon	in67	in32	n 1	1		1			2	4	30	20										
Ontonogon	12	1																				
Minnesota	18		2	1	600				2	14	40	160			40,00	20						
Eagle River	51	4	3	1	800				2	20	. 70	220	2	19	100,00	26						
Portage Lake	5	5																				
Eagle Harbor	23	3							2	10	60	200										
Marquette	13	7				1	400		1	7	25	300	1	7	13,00	20						
	264	62	10	3	1.400	3	1,600	1	10	62	265	900	4	38	153.00	66	4					

RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	IN SOCIETY.			CHURCH PROPERTY.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.									AMOUNTS RAISED FOR				
	Membs.	Prob.	L. P'rs	Ch's.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	Membs. Died.	S. Sch'ls	Officers & Tchrs.	No. of Sch'lars.	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes.	No. in Ft Cl'ss.	Ttl. Ex. of Sch'ls.	S. Sch'l. Adv'cte.	No. Conversions.	Miss'ns.	S. S. Union.	Tract Society.	A. Bible Society.	Fifth Collect'n.
Detroit	1529	214	19	13	60,700	7	8,300	30	29	291	1727	5840	12	385	399 93	393	30	652 75	30 10	77 55	148 25	65 25
Ann Arbor	2398	344	39	28	34,400	10	4,85	27	47	458	1947	7850	14	118	314 60	574	56	491 47	25 07	44 75	32 00	46 22
Adrian	1648	139	18	17	31,250	10	7,650	22	42	381	1780	7057	13	310	175 77	267	4	513 87	15 45	73 57	21 44	51 98
Marshall	2394	331	30	19	31,550	8	6,800	31	41	343	1534	5089	20	123	299 72	385	48	396 29	12 25	43 83	38 32	62 31
Coldwater	2013	155	22	20	22,900	7	3,750	25	48	496	2066	6137	18	224	223 51	493	44	438 35	4 00	58 56	48 32	53 65
Kalamazoo	1709	171	25	12	14,400	6	2,950	24	50	358	1604	7232	19	140	309 51	385	47	264 50	12 86	42 57	43 38	58 07
Grand Rapids	1667	317	16	7	6,100	7	2,780	17	49	350	1530	5953	15	37	383 38	485	59	222 23	8 90	59 55	20 00	26 57
Flint	2046	331	34	22	23,000	16	5,000	22	48	390	1708	5662	6	57	271 63	425	36	279 42	7 73	49 93	96 60	36 50
Romeo	1280	177	18	9	20,4'0	7	3,05'	14	43	409	1716	5560	12	99	201 25	424	59	190 75	3 00	61 26	10 00	28 88
Lake Superior	264	62	10	3	1,400	3	1,600	1	10	62	265	900	4	38	153 00	66	4					
	16959	2941	231	150	246,100	81	46,730	213	407	3521	16596	57385	133	1531	2,652 30	3897	387	3,449 62	119 36	511 57	457 77	429 43

II. FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTERAGE		TABLE EXP.		HOUSE RENT.	
		Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts
DETROIT DIST.							
Detroit—1st. Church,	J. A. Baughman,	2 0 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	125 00	125 00
" Congress street,	W. H. Collins,	200 00	200 00	160 00	160 00	150 00	150 00
" Lafayette "	Wm. Mahon,	240 00	240 00	260 00	260 00	P	
" French Mission,	M. Hickey,	216 00	216 00	309 00	304 00	P	
" City Mission,	T. Carter,	200 00	2 0 00	200 00	200 00		
Trenton,	R. McConnell,	2 0 00	200 00				
Mt. Clemens,	L. D. Price & W. G. Stonix	232 00	232 00	177 00	177 00	P	
Flat Rock,	H. Morgan,	240 00	150 00	100 00	100 00	P	
Farmington,	B. F. Doughty,	216 00	216 00	130 00	150 00	P	
"	F. Britton,						
	F. B. Harrison.	33 00	33 00	20 00	20 00		
Birmigham,	S. Steel,	264 00	264 00	225 00	225 00	P	
Pontiac,	Wm. Kelley,	216 00	216 00	177 50	177 50	100 00	100 00
Utica,	J. Russell,	216 00	216 00	150 00	150 00	P	
Financial Sec. S. F. Socy.	A. M. Fitch.	264 00	264 00	275 00	275 00	216 00	216 00
ANN ARBOR DIST.							
Ann Arbor—1st. Church,	Wm. E. Bigelow,	240 00	240 00	300 00	300 00	100 00	100 00
" " 2d. "	T. G. Gardner,	272 00	272 0	328 00	328 00	P	
Ypsilanti,	A. Bell,	232 00	174 00	150 00	112 50	50 00	37 50
Oakville,	Wm. G. Stonix,	79 37	79 37	90 34	90 34	19 48	19 48
Dearbornville,	C. Moshier,	264 00	264 00	225 00	225 00	P	
"	E. Steel,	240 00	160 42	150 00	128 00	48 00	48 00
Plymouth,	C. M. Seaman,	200 00	143 16	74 00	74 00	32 50	32 50
Northville,	J. H. Burnham,						
Northfield,	R. Goodell,	232 00	232 00	240 00	240 00	12 50	12 50
Millford,	Wm. Benson.	200 00	146 00	135 00	75 00	35 00	35 00
Howell,	E. Westlake,	232 00	232 00	105 00	105 00	P	
Pinckney,	J. Glass,	411 00	276 00				
"	E. Klumph,	335 00	260 00				
Mason,	E. R. Hascall,	224 00	224 00	178 00	178 00	P	
Manchester,	W. P. Judd,	248 00	248 00	205 00	205 00	P	
Dexter,	R. Bird,	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	P	
Lima,	B. H. Hedger,	250 00	250 00	160 00	160 00	P	
Saline,	J. Jennings,	216 00	216 00	100 00	100 00	50 00	50 00
Mich. University,	E. O Haven.	232 00	232 00	568 00	568 00	200 00	200 00
ADRIAN DIST.							
Adrian—1st. Church,	E. H. Pilcher,	264 00	264 00	200 00	200 00	P	
" 2d. "	J. E. Parker,	200 00	200 00	224 00	224 00	P	
Tecumseh,	J. E. McAlister,	200 00	100 00	125 00	83 00	100 00	100 00
Clinton,	J. F. Davidson,	256 00	256 00	207 00	207 00	P	
Ridgeway,	D. A. Curtis,	216 00	166 00	150 00	100 00	P	
Dundee,	F. W. Warren,	232 00	232 00	90 00	90 00	40 00	40 00
Bedford,	W. W. Johnson,	240 00	140 00	126 00	126 00	15 00	15 00
Monroe,	S. Reed,	248 00	248 00	177 00	177 00	P	
Palmyra,	T. B. Granger,	232 00	232 00	75 00	75 00	P	
Medina,	S. C. Woodard,	216 00	200 00	105 00	100 00	P	
"	L. M. Bennett,	100 00	100 00	30 00	30 00		
Rome,	S. S. Littlefield,	100 00	100 00	50 00	50 00		
Liberty,	S. P. Warner,						
Franklin,	D. B. Tracy,	200 00	180 00	100 00	80 00	P	
Napoleon,	B. Sabin,	200 00	58 00	148 00	65 00	25 00	25 00
Editor of N. W C. Advct.	J. V. Watson,	272 00	272 00	1128 0	1128 0	400 00	400 00
MARSHALL DIST.							
Marshall,	R. Sapp,	200 00	171 00	185 00	156 00	100 00	100 00
Albion,	M. B. Camburn,	240 00	240 00	165 00	165 00	P	
Parma,	F. A. Blades,	240 00	240 00	160 00	160 00		
Eaton Rapids,	I. Bennett,	216 00	216 00	84 00	84 00	40 00	40 00
Charlotte,	N. Fasset,	248 00	248 00	150 00	150 00	P	
"	E. H. Day,	100 00	100 00	50 00	50 00		
	A. Gore,	216 00	216 00	234 00	234 00	100 00	100 00
Jackson,	J. S. Smart,	232 00	120 00	168 00	100 00	P	
Grass Lake,	H. Law.						
Henrietta Mission.							
South Albion,	Geo. Bradley,	224 00	224 00	100 00	100 00	65 00	65 00
" "	Supply,	172 00	172 00				
	"	114 00	114 00	32 00	32 00		
Marengo,							
Burlington,							
Battle Creek,	R. C. Crawford,	200 00	200 00	173 00	173 00	P	
Galesburgh,	I. C. Abbott,	200 00	200 00	150 00	150 00	P	
Hastings,	Wm. E. Perrine,	100 00	79 00	110 00	86 00	20 00	15 00
Nottaway Indian Miss'n.	D. Thomas,	248 00	248 00	102 00	102 00	50 00	50 00
" "	Joseph Elliott,	200 00	200 00	50 00	50 00		
President N. W, Univsty.	C. T. Hinman,	262 00	262 00	538 00	538 00	400 00	400 00

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		Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts
Albion Seminary,	N. Abbott,						
" "	P. S. Donalson,						
" "	C. C. Olds,						
" "	W. H. Brockway,						
State Prison Chaplin,	S. Clements,	100	100	200	200		
COLDWATER DIST.	J. K. Gillett,	248					
Coldwater,	F. B. Bangs,	240	240	190	190	P	
Girard,	N. Mount,	248	203	132	108	P	
Union City,							
Centreville,	V. G. Boynton,	216	216	152	152	P	
"	E. Holdstock,	216	216	152	152	30	30
Constantine,	F. W. May,	240	240	115	115	P	
Sturgis,	J. Boynton,	200	200	95	95	50	50
Gilead,	S. B. Finch,	100	100	70	70		
Litchfield,	Wm. Mothersill,	272	220	122	110	P	
"	B. W. Shelden,	200	140	100	45	30	30
Jonesville,	J. Taylor,	200	200	120	123	40	40
Hillsdale,							
Osseo,	J. Dobbins,	200	150	75	55	P	
Hudson,	H. Penfield,	280	280	195	195	P	
Addison,	E. C. Chambers,	240	240	140	140	P	
KALAMAZOO DIST	T. H. Jacokes,	232	232	118	118	52	52
Kalamazoo,	R. Summerville,	216	216	131	131	80	80
Cooper,	Wm. Stafford,	248	248	132	132	22	22
Otsego,	A. Wakefield,	200	113	172	128	39	39
Allegan,	J. H. Pitezel,	224	178	146	103	30	25
Ganges,	B. P. Chase,	272	79 53	70	20 46	18	18
Schoolcraft,	Wm. Sprague,						
Ostemo,	Geo. Willson,	156	156	113	113		
Paw Paw,	Wm. Taylor,	240	240	117	117	55	55
Dowagiac,	T. H. Bignal,	232	215	110	110	40	40
"	R. Watson,	200	200	50	25		
Niles,	R. Pengelly,	216	216	125	125	P	
Edwardsburgh,	S. H. Osborn,	272	272	100	100	P	
Buchanan,	F. Glass,	216	196	166	146	P	
New Buffalo,	J. W. Robinson,	200	180	110	110	10	10
St. Joseph,	Wm. F. Jenkins,	236	98	164	152	P	
"		216	100	50	50		
Black River,	S. Hendrickson,	100	100	139	79		
GRAND RAPIDS DIST.	D. Burns,	200	200	100	75	50	40
Grand Rapids,	A. J. Eldred,	232	232	165	165	85	85
Paris,	J. N. Thoms,	200	200	125	125	15	15
Talmadge,	Wm. C. Comfort,	256	256	120	120	P	
Sparta,	J. S. Harder,	116	116	64	64		
Muskegan,	G. W. Hoag,	216	216	134	134	25	25
Flat River,	J. S. Finch,	200	200	25	25	P	
Greenville,	A. R. Bartlett,	100	200	97	97	40	40
Ionia,	Geo. Bignal,	248	248	127	127	50	50
Lyons.	O. Whitmore,	216	216	75	75	P	
"	——McKnight,	100	100	55	55		
Lansing,	E. House,	200	200	112	112	P	
Dewitt,	A. A. Dunton,	200	170	122	122		
Duplain,	Supply,	165	165	50	50	P	
Williamston,							
Grand River Ind. Miss'n.	E. D. Young,	248	248	102	102	P	
" "	H. Jackson,	216	216	34	34		
FLINT DIST.	Geo. Smith,	256	192	200	150	100	100
Flint,	J. M. Arnold,	216	216	200	200	P	
Flushing,	S. Calkins,	200	140	120	100	P	
Grand Blanc,	G. N. Belnap,	232	200	75	70	P	
Genesee,	J. J. Whitmore,	264	264	113	113	P	
Corunna,	S. P. Barker,	232	134	100	100	P	
Bennington,	R. C. Crane,	216	153	120	120	P	
Byron,	T. Wakelin,	224	124	140	140	P	
Fentonville,	G. W. Brown,	224	217	90	90	10	10
Clarkston,	S. Bessey,	272	170	83	50	50	
Hadley,	J. Levingston,	248	248	140	140	P	
Lapeer,	J. W. Cawthorn,	200	200	120	90	P	
Marathon Mission,	Supply,	216	216	100	100		
Tuscola,	"	200	85	145	145	P	
East Saganaw,	A. C. Shaw,	264	264	236	236	P	
Lower Saganaw,	I. Cogshall,	256	256				

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		Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts
Kazier Indian Mission,	O. D. White,	240	240	110	110	P	
Jancsville " "	P. O. Johnson,	248	248	259	250	25	25
" " "	P. Marksman,	200	200	50	50	P	
ROMEO DIST.	J. Blanchard,	240	221	220	200	75	75
Romeo,	G. Taylor,	248	248	189	189	P	
Almont,	E. W. Borden,						
Attica Mission,	J. G. Whitcomb,	232	232	100	100	15	15
Armada,	J. W. Holt,	232	100	75	75	P	
Lexington,	J. O. Bancroft,	232	232	170	170	P	
Clyde,	J. Measures,	100	97	135	60		
Port Huron,	D. C. Jacokes,	200	200	250	250	60	60
St. Clair,	J. S. Sutton,	100	100	220	220		36
New Port,	D. D. Gillett,	200	100	150	75	36	
New Haven,	O. Sanborn,	200	186	148	138	P	
Washington,	T. Seeley,	232	232	165	165	P	
Oxford,	S. P. Lee,	200	140	131	131	25	
"	J. Gray.	248	200	52	32		
LAKE SUPERIOR DIST.	J. Shaw,	248	248	150	150	52	52
Suut. St. Marie Mission,							
Kewawenon "	R. Dubois,						
Ontonagon,							
Minnesota, "	B. F. Prichard,						
Carp River,	H. N. Brown,	216	216	267	267	P	
Eagle River,	S. C. Stringham,						
Portage Lake,	L. W. Earl,	216	216	252	252		
Eagle Harbor.	T. J. Joslin,	200	85	155	155	P	
	A. Billings,	200					
	E. Crane,	224					
	H. Hall,	232					
	R. Triggs,	200					
	Wm. Todd,	200					
	N. Barnum.	100					

VIII. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

1.—Conference Society.

President.—Rev. GEO. TAYLOR, *Vice President.*—D. C. JACOKES,
Secretary.—S. REED, *Treasurer.*—R. C. CRAWFORD.

MANAGERS.

Rev. Geo. Bradley, H. Law, H. Penfield, J. Jennings, I. Bennett.

2.—Preacher of next Conference Missionary Sermon.

REV. J. F. DAVIDSON.

3.—Missionary Appropriations for the present Year.

DETROIT DIST.—French Mission: T. Carter, 500; Asst. Missionary, 375; P. E., 25—$900.

MARSHALL DIST.—Domestic—Henrietta Mission, 45; Nottaway Ind. Mission—Missionary's salary, 400; Asst. and Int. 250; School at Nebenesse, 125; School at Hastings, 100; incidentals, 40; P. E. 25—$940.

COLDWATER DIST.—Hillsdale, $50.

KALAMAZOO DIST.—Black River, $50.

GRAND RIVER DIST.—Domestic—Muskegan, 50; Sparta, 30; Boston, 40; Grand River Ind. Mission, Pr's. salary, 375; Int. 275; P. E. 25; Schools 160—$835.

FLINT DISTRICT.—Domestic Missions—Marathon, 45; Tuscola, 45; Lower Saginaw, 140; East Saginaw, 100; Saginaw City, 100; Corunna, 75; P. E. 50; Indian Missions—Kazier Indian Mission, Pr's. salary, 325; Asst. Pr. at Bradley Chapel, 350; School at Kazier, 300; Janesville Indian Miss., Pr's salary, 450; Asst. Pr. 250; School at Janesville, 300; Pesahcginning, Teacher and Int. 250; Teacher at Pinney Konning, 25; Teacher and Int. at Hamline School 250; Teacher and Int. at Kechessening, 250; Incidentals, 100, Superintendent, 250—$2,125.

ROMEO DISTRICT.—Domestic—Memphis, 70; Gratiot, 70; Forestville, 50; P. E 45—$235.

LAKE SUPERIOR DIST.—Domestic—Ontonagan, 50; Minnesota Mines, 40; Trap Rock, 40; Eagle Harbor, 50; Marquette, 50; Eagle River, 25; Portage Lake, 40; P. E. 100; Indian Missions, Saute St. Marie, 1,400; Kewawenon—Pr's. salary, 350; Interpreter, 75; School Teacher, 150; Superintendent, 350—$2,325.

Whole amount of Appropriations, $9,600

4. Treasurer's Report.

The Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society in account with J. M. Arnold:

CR. BY AMOUNTS RECEIVED.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

DETROIT—1st Charge—By W. H. Collins, Cash,	$150 00
Mrs. Cath. Armstrong paid for Ind. Miss.,	11 00
Congress St., by W. Mahon, Annual Collection, 60,13; Sunday School Collection, 9,07; Infant Class, 4,00,	73 20
Rev. W. Mahon, Mrs. Anna J. Mahon and Lewis L. Farnsworth, life members of the parent society.	
Lafayette St., by M. Hickey, Annual Collection, 5,64; Sunday School Collection, 8,47; Goods applied to Grand River Mission, 62,67,	76 78
French Mission, by T. Carter, collected and applied,	3 00
City Mission, by J. A. Baughman, on Charles Lee's donation of 200, annual instalments of 50,	50 00
TRENTON.—Rev. W. G. Stonex and Mrs. Mary A. Stonex, to be made life members of the Parent Society,	51 75
MT. CLEMENS—Mt. Clemens Society, 7,39; Pine Run Society, 8,06,	15 45
FLAT ROCK—For domestic Missions, B. F. Doughty to be made a life member of the Conference Society,	15 75
FARMINGTON—Especially for Indian Missions,	50 10
BIRMINGHAM—Collected by Miss E. Davy, 10,00; Mary Perrine, 6,38; Marilla Smith, 4,31; Mrs. Lydia Gardner, 8,75; Mary E. Hammond, 2,87; Susan Johnson, 7,37; Lavilla Randall, 10,20; Harriett Gillet, 4,25; Paid by Bloomfield Center S. S. 2,80; Collection on Circuit, 18,32; Miss Elizabeth Davy, Mrs Lavilla Randall and Mr Andrew E. Wallace, life members of the Conference Society,	74 25
PONTIAC—Collected by Mrs Martha Bird, 10,00; Sarah M. Martin, 2,85; Mary Clayton, 2,50; Martha Bird to be made a life member of the Conference Society; Annual collection, 17,00,	32 35
UTICA—Cash, 20,00; applied to Lake Superior mission, 8,00,	28 00

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.

Ann Arbor—1st Charge, Cash, 17,00; Goods, 19,00; 20 to make J. West life member of Parent Society,	36 00
Ann Arbor—2nd Charge, Cash, 24,22; Goods on hand, 50cts.	24 72
Ypsilanti—Cash,	24 75
Oakville—	80 27
Dearbornville—Sheldon's, Cash and Goods, 27,25; Huron, do 10,32; Pullen's, do 9,85; French Landing, Cash, 6,50; Nankin, do and Goods, 25,26; Robbins do 6,50; Bellville, do 21,58; Wayne, do 18,63; Denton's Mills, do 25,46; Rawsonville, do 2,32; Dearbornville, do 2,39; Bro. Silverwood, do 1,00; Annual collection, 2,00; Frains do 4,38; Mrs. Alice Bird to be life member of Parent Society, and Revs. H. Colby and E. Steele, and Mrs. Alice Steele, of the Conference Society, (of the above amount 86,56 was cash) the balance goods,	163 44

Plymouth—Rev. W. Fox, Miss Angeline Shear and Miss Esther Frasier, life members of the Conference Society, 36 62
Northville—Cash, 4 17
Northfield—Collected by J. Leland, 12,73; by Lucy A. Calkins, 3,66; by R. Goodell, 8,50; J. Leland life member of Conference Society, 24 89
Milford—Cash, 50 00
Howell—Cash, 12 00
Pinckney—Cash, 29 40
Mason—Collected as follows:—Mason, 16,25; Bunkerhill, 12,19; Hurd's 1,73; Aliston, 8,29; Webbs, 1,45; Delhi, 25; Dubois, 2,18; Ingham Centre, 8,16; Rev. E. R. Hascall, Mrs. Adah Hascall and Miss Adah Hascall, and James D. Reed, life members of the Conference Society, 50 50
Manchester—Collected by Bulia M. Hunter, 10,20; Elvira Gillet, 11,62; (the above collectors to be made members of the Conference Society) Public collection, 1,45, 23 27
Saline—Annual collection, 18 00

ADRIAN DISTRICT.

Adrian—1st Charge, Public collection, 13,02; Class collection, 26,47; S. School, 6,00; Donation by Mrs. ———, to fulfill the dying request of Philander Palmer Cotton, 30,00, 75 49
Adrian—2nd Charge, 1 78
Tecumseh—Alonzo Murray, life member of Parent Society, 20 65
Clinton—Annual collection, 10 50
Ridgeway—Goods forwarded to Kazier Indian mission, 40,00; Cash 15,42 55 42
Dundee—Cash, 11 28
Redford—From S. Tillotson, 5 00
Monroe—By S. Reed, Cash, 19,00; Goods from Female Missionary Society, for Five Points mission, 32,00 51 00
Medina—Morenci, collected by Mrs. Hannah White, 24,00; Lows, Miss Sarah M. Converse, 12,55; Hadley's & Morris, Miss Mary L. Page, 18,68; Dover Church, Minerva M. Robb, 7,25; Bayless, Ophelia A. Bayless, 13 25; Crosses: Polly A. Cross, 13,93; Medina: Charles Howe, 12,70; Ayers: Miss Jane Cross, 5,68; Manus: Miss Marietta Mann, 1,10; Mrs. Hannah White, do O. A. Littlefield, Miss Sarah S. Converse, do Mary L. Page and Rev. Lorin M. Bennett, life members of the Parent Society, 109 15
Rome—North Rome: Collected by C. J. Brooks, 2,73; Public collection, ,84; Rome Centre, Rachel A. Todd, 2,78; Public collection, 1,00; South Rome, public collection, 75; Round Lake, Matilda Avery, 2,35; Sarah I. Rhodes, 5,00; Public collection, 1,13; Prospect Hill, L. M. Gaston, 5,96; E. C. Redfield, 2,00; Miss R. A. Todd, life member of Conference Society, 24 34
Liberty—West Liberty: Collected by Mrs. Mayer, 75; Mills: Holmes, 11,71; East Liberty: Miss E. A. Finch, 10,37; West Woodstock: Miss G. Horton, 12,68, 35 51

Franklin—Cash, 5,00; Goods forwarded to Flint Indian mission, 3 boxes, 107,92,	112 92
Napoleon—Cash,	85
MARSHALL DISTRICT.	
Marshall—Collection, 24,72; Sunday School, 23,37,	48 12
Albion—Five Dollars from Young Ladies' Missionary Society of Albion Female College, for Five Points mission.	18 00
Parma—Sundry collections, 9,16; Collected by Mrs. N. Cowen, 5,50; do Betsy Griffith, 6,00; do Louisa Ashey, 1,75; do Hannah Adams, 4,25; Miss C. Strong, 2,00; do Olive Landen, 1,72; do Jane Cowen, 6,07; do A. Sutton, 10,18; Remitted to N. Y. 30,00,	76 63
Eaton Rapids—Cash,	3 50
Charlotte—Helen Snyder, Helen Ellis, Mary Kemberly, Henry Dow, life members of Conference Society,	43 28
Jackson—Cash,	9 00
Grass Lake—Cash,	5 00
South Albion—Orson West, 5,00; Samuel Eddy, 3,00; D, S. Kerny, 1,00 S. Kerny, 50; Wm. M. Knickerbacker, 1,00; Harriet do, 1,00; Markie C. Benham, 1,00; Mrs. Benham, 50; Emma Benham, 25; M. A. Farley, 25; Louisa Benham, 25; J. H. Benham, 50; G. Robertson, 1,00; S. Robertson, 1,00; V. Knickerbacker, 50; D. Wasson, 20; a sick friend, 06; S. A. Farley, 50; J. G. Waldo, 50; John Fabrick, 50; Harriet Fabrick, 50; Mrs. Weston, 1,00; J. Fauhorn, 50; David Farley, 1,00; F. West, 50; R. Farley, 50; A. E. Farley, 25; total	22 56
West Concord—Jesse Mattison, 1,00; M. A. Mattison, 50; S. Wilcox, 1,00; J. A. Mattison, 50; J. G. Ostrom, 50; Mrs. Ostrom, 50; total	4 00
Homer—Thos. Rose, 5,00; G. Bradley, 2,00	7 00
South Albion Female Missionary Society—Goods, 28,45; forwarded to New York, 5,00; Mrs. Rosena Farley, do P. Eddy and O. West, life members of Parent Society,	62 01
Marengo—Cash,	1 00
Battle Creek—Cash 36,26; Applied to Nottaway Indian mission for School House, 22,58; Mrs. Mary Valentine, member of Conference Society,	58 84
Galesburgh—Cash,	29 63
Hastings—Applied to Nottaway Indian mission, for School House,	10 25
Nottaway Indian mission—Cash 12,00; for building School House, applied 20,00,	32 00
COLDWATER DISTRICT.	
Coldwater—Cash 1,60; Goods by Juvenile Missionary Society, for Five Points mission, 35,00; Bradley Crippen, Esther Crippen, N. Lane, E. F. Abbott, Mrs. C. H. Bangs, Rev. M. A. Daugherty, life members of Parent Society ; Rev. J. Hall, Lucy Hall, F. B. Bangs, life members of Conference Society.	195 00
Girard—Cash, 14,00; applied to Nottaway Ind. mission, 20,75; for German mission, 50,	35 25

Centreville—Mrs. M. Holdstock, E. G. Boynton, life members of Parent Society; and V. G. Boynton and E. Holdstock, life members of Conference Society, 61,00; applied to Nottaway Ind. mission, 24,25,	85 25
Constantine—Cash,	75
Sturgis—Cash, 5,00; sent to New York, 5,00; applied to Nottaway Ind. mission, 15,87; from Oxbow S. S. 1,00,	26 87
Gilead—Cash,	9 16
Litchfield—Cash,	4 60
Osseo—Collections,	16 00
Hudson—Collected by Elmira A. Carlton, 8,00; Mary A. Carlton, 4,00; Harriet Hogaboam, 7,50; Susan Cobb, 3,00; Esther Crummy, 4,62; H. N. Penfield, 5,30; S. E. Harrington, 3,46; Laura Silvernail, 3,19; C. E. Monroe, 2,72; Lucy Brown, 4,83; A. Green, 13,12, for the China mission,	59 80
Addison—	11 00

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

Kalamazoo—Cash,	37 51
Otsego—Cash, 6,00; applied to Nottaway Indian mission, 4,00,	10 00
Allegan—20,80 ; applied to Nottaway Indian Mission, 1,15,	21 95
Ganges—Cash,	2,38
Schoolcraft—Cash,	17 00
Paw Paw—Collected by Mrs. J. C. Taylor, 4,50; do H. B. Goodrich 6,50; I. Reynolds, 5,15; Sunday School collection, 4,45; other sources, 1,83	25 43
Dowagiac—Cash,	19 00
Niles—Cash,	15 00
Buchanan—Cash,	18 00
Edwardsburgh—Cash,	86 50
New Buffalo—Collection, 6,66; collected by Miss Martin, 5,22.	11 88

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.

Grand Rapids—Rev. A. J. Eldred. life member of Parent Society,	21 70
Paris—Cash,	7 51
Talmadge—Rev. W. C, Comfort, life member of Parent Society.	34 85
Flat River—Goods, 7,00; collection, 4,15,	11 15
Greenville—Collection, 14,37; applied to Grand River Indian mission 2,00; Mrs. H. Bartlett, life member of Conference Society,	16 37
Iona—Collection, 23,00; applied to Grand River Indian mission, 13,00; Mrs. S. Tuttle and H. Jackson, members of Conference Society,	36 00
Lyons—Collection, 13,20; applied 50,00	63 20
Lansing—Cash,	2 00
Dewitt—Riley Society, collected by Mrs. C. Burritt, for African mission 10,72; North Riley—A. A. Dunton, 10,25; Dewitt—Collection for Five Points, 7,69; Victor—Cash 1,98; Sciota—Cash, 88 ; Mrs. Charlotte Burritt, life member of Conference Society, A. A. Dunton, life member of Parent Society,	31 43

FLINT DISTRICT.

Flint—S. Whitmore, S. N. Warren, D. Foot, H. J. Higgings—two dollars each, 8,00; C. E. Rulison, E. Beuduls, O. A. Fish, Wm. Sly, Levi Failing, D. Preston, S. A. Mattison, W. Pateson, J. Sutton, J. Smith, Wm. Horner, S. Musich, J Buzzell, C. Hill, M. A. Ottaway, J. McAlister, E. Smith, T. C. Higgins, M. M. Pierce, J. Holbrook, Amos Davis, J. H. C. Blades, Esq.—one each; S. Riggs, G. Watkins, C. Blades, J. Kline, S. P. Muct, L. Buckingham, C, D, Seymour, M. H. Hughes, T. H. Ward, M. E, Muct, A. Welch, G. R. Merriman, M. Howes, S. Stone, S. A. Rulison, M. A. Decker—fifty cents each; W. Holmes, H. Rulison, D. Bauiss, J. Webber, S. Freeman—25 cts. each, Collection, 2,10; at Danelson's, 1,25; S. School at Beudles School House, 2,20; do at Flint, 2,46; J. M. Arnold, 2,00	48 11
Flushing—Cash,	22 00
Grand Blanc—Collection at Miller's, 9,85; Torrey's, 4,99; Cole's, 6,58; South Grand Blanc, 2,73	27 95
Genesee—Cash,	8 50
Byron—S. S. collection at Byron, 86 cts.; Mrs. C. Simonson, 9,32; at Vernon, by Mrs. A. I. Bennett, 7,82; Hall—class in clothing applied to Kaizer Indian Mission, 9,00,	27 00
Fentonville—Cash,	9 42
Clarkston—Cash,	17 30
Hadley—Cash,	44 38
Lapeer—J. W. Cawthorn, life member of Parent Society,	21 00
East Saginaw—Collection by M. A. Little, 16,93; T. A. Ranken, 8,50; M. Carter, 8,68; Mary Ure, 2,85,	36 96
Saginaw City—Public collections, 16,46; 10,00 sent to New York; applied to Janesville Mission by Miss Ure, 7,00	33 46
Lower Saginaw—Cash,	4 00

ROMEO DISTRICT.

Romeo—Mrs. J. C. Taylor, life member of Parent Society,	33 77
Almont—Cash, 4,61; Miller's Class, 3,13; Dryden Society, by collectors 14,51; Hosner's class, 2,15; Miss Sarah Foster and Miss Julia Miller, life members of Conference Society—all for China Mission,	24 46
Armada—Cash,	5 00
Lexington—J. O. Bancroft, life member of Conference Society,	10 00
Clyde—Cash,	6 00
St. Clair—Collected at St. Clair, 15,00; at Belle River, 5,00,	20 00
New Port—Cash, 2,73; Sent to New York, 3,00,	5 73
New Haven—Cash,	7 00
Washington—M. N. Davis, Caroline Chapin and S. Davis, life members of Conference Society; Five dollars for Five Points Mission,	67 00
Oxford—Rev. J. Grey, life member of Parent Society,	27 73

Recapitulation.

DETROIT DISTRICT—Cash,	$547 96	
Money and Goods applied,	73 67	
Total,		$621 63
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—Cash,	481 65	
Goods on hand	96 38	
Total,		578 03
ADRIAN DISTRICT—Cash,	333 97	
Goods sent to Flint Indian Mission,	147 92	
Goods on hand,	32 00	
Total,		513 89
MARSHALL DISTRICT—Cash,	269 48	
Remitted to New York,	43 00	
Applied to erecting School House at Nottaway Mission	52 83	
Goods on hand,	28 45	
Total,		393 76
COLDWATER DISTRICT—Cash,	342 81	
Goods on hand,	35 00	
Applied to Nottaway Indian Mission,	60 87	
Remitted to New York,	5 00	
Total,		443 68
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—Cash,	259 50	
Applied to Nottaway Indian Mission,	55 15	
Total,		264 65
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—Cash,	152 21	
Applied to Grand River Mission,	72 00	
Total,		224 21
FLINT DISTRICT—Cash,	240 52	
Remitted to New York,	10 00	
Goods applied,	16 00	
Total,		266 52
ROMEO DISTRICT—Cash,	203 75	
Remitted to New York,	3 00	
Total,		206 75

AGGREGATE CREDIT—By Cash,	$2831 85	
Remitted to New York,	61 00	
Money and Goods applied,	428 44	
Goods on hand,	191 83	
Notes in Treasury,	24 00	
Balance in Treasury from last year,	40 87	
Anniversary Collection at Conference,	39 00	
Annual Subscription of Members,	60 00	
Unexp'd appropriation ret'd by D. Burns,	70 00	
Received from Eaton Rapids,	3 56	
		$3746 99

AGGREGATE DEBT.—To amount paid T. Carlton,	$2855 27	
Money and Goods applied,	428 44	
Goods on hand,	191 83	
Remitted to New York,	61 00	
Notes in Treasury,	124 00	
Counterfeit bills and broken Banks,	31 00	
Paid for Publishing Minutes,	25 00	
Cash in Treasury,	134 01	
		$3746 99

J. M. ARNOLD, *Treasurer.*

5.—Life Members of Conference Missionary Society.

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Abbott, N.
Allen, S. M.
Mr. Anguin, R.
Anguin, H.
Armstrong, C.
Mrs. Abbott, L.
Miss Allen, E. N.
Allen, J.
Atkinson, S.
Rev. Babcock, C.
Bangs, F. B.
Barkdell, T.
Baughman, J. A.
Bartlett, A. R.
Bell, A.
Bell, C.
Bessey, S.
Bigelow, W. E.
Boynton, J.
Bradley, G.
Brockway, W. H.
Bryant, A.
Burns, D.
Bush, D.
Mr. Barnum, E. W.
Brockway, S. P.
Mrs. Barret, C.
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Cogshall, D. A.
Comstock, H. H.
Coman, J.
Crane, E.
Curtis, M. J.
Miss Chapin, C.
Chittendon, L.
Cole, E. A.
Colby, M.
Critchet, A.
Curtis, M.
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Dutton, T.
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Miss Easton, F,
Ellis, H.
Rev. Fairfield, E. B.
Fitch, A. M.
Fox, W.
Mr. Ford, M.
Mrs. Farley, R.
Miss Fish, P,
Fitch, E.
Foot, S. M.
Frasher, E.
Rev. Grey, J.
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Gould, M. A.
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Gwinn, S.
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Hull, L.
Hanes, H.
Hascall, A.
Hedding, E.
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Holdstock, M.
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Hunter, B. N.
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James, Bp. E. S.
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Kimberly, M.
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Levings, Dr. N.
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Lyon, H.
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Steele, P.
Steele, R. A.
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Tuttle, N.
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Rev. Wareham, P.
Warner, A.
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Whedon, Dr. D. D.
Whitney, L. D.
Woodard, S. C.
Mr. Wame-gu-ga-yich, J.
Warner, M.
Waugh, B.
West, O.
Wood, A.
Mrs. Wakefield, P.
Wells, N. A.
Miss Walten, C. E.
Webb, S. B.
Welch, A.
White, M. A.
Whittemore, C.
Rev. Yocum, E.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS.

1.—Resolutions on the Bible Cause.

Resolved, That we have implicit confidence in the integrity and management of the American Bible Society, and commend it to the sympathies, prayers and liberal support of our people.

Resolved, That a collection be taken up in every Charge, during the coming year, in aid of this Cause; and that where the Agent cannot be present personally, this duty shall devolve on the Pastor.

Resolved, That as far as practicable, we will co-operate with Rev. J. Anderson, agent of the American Bible Society in this State, giving him free access to our pulpits and a cordial welcome among our people.

2.—Report on Education.

Those who asperse us, sometimes say "the Methodists are ignorant." If this was ever true, it was not because our fathers were uncultivated or their example or precepts encouraged the people to be so. If we are so now, it is not because we have not sufficient means among us of becoming otherwise. Our own Universities, Seminaries and Schools are numerous in the land, and as these have not been erected by the patronage of the State, or to any considerable extent by large donations from the rich, but by the numerous small contributions of the common people, it furnishes unmistakeable evidence of deep and increasingly active interest among all Methodists in the cause of Education.

Our Western Country, projected upon so grand a scale for the occupancy of a numerous population, is finely filled with institutions of learning designed with a liberality, and endowed with a magnificence commensurate in some degree with itself.

Among them, with gratitude we notice and commend the N. W. University, now under the patronage of the Michigan Annual Conference. This Institution is located 11 miles North of Chicago, Ill., on the shore of Lake Michigan, and the line of the Chicago and Milwaukie Railroad, and will be put in active operation, as soon as suitable buildings can be erected for its accommodation. It is reported to have a fund of $250,000 above all liabilities, and will increase it to a half million. It will embrace an extensive course of instruction, in connection with 14 distinct professorships, exclusive of the department of Law, which will be organized at no very distant day.

Especially, we design to express our approval of the establishment of a Biblical Institute on the University Grounds, but independent of the University, and under the control of the patronizing Annual Conferences. It shall have our best wishes and most earnest prayers for its support, while we invoke the blessings of God upon HER whose liberal heart has devised its liberal endowment.

The temporary embarrassments of our Conference Seminary and Female Collegiate Institute at Albion, by the loss of one of its buildings by fire, during the past year, we trust will soon be removed by the liberality of its numerous friends. Hitherto it has occupied the very front rank among the literary institutions of our State, and undoubtedly it has contributed far more than any other institution to the improvement of our Youth and we trust it will never be suffered to loose this relative position. Its calamities will endear it to its friends, and awaken a new zeal for the speedy and full consummation of the plan of its originalp rojectors.

The bountiful provisions of the General Government, for the cause of Public Education in our State, have imposed a high trust upon every citizen of the country. Every man, and especially every christian man, is responsible for and interested in a faithful expenditure of this bounty, for the diffusion of a healthy, physical, intellectual and moral education throughout the masses of children and youths in our commonwealth.

The position of those employed to instruct in our State University, Normal, Union and Common Schools is such as to render the example they set, the precepts they impart, and the labor they perform, of immense moment to every member of society.

Affording instruction in the highest branches of human knowledge and learning, substantially free of all charge, *our* University ought to be, and we trust will become one of the most flourishing and prosperous institutions of the kind in the world.

The State Normal School, located at Ypsilanti, has gone into operation during the year under favorable auspices, and has more than met the most sanguine expectations of its friends, and from the number of Teachers already there taught and sent abroad to every part of our Peninsula affords early evidence of the wisdom of its founders, invites liberal patronage and betokens great future success.

But the Common Schools, though often overlooked, and too much neglected by us, are the real colleges of the people, from which the masses have to graduate previous to entering upon the active duties of life. They claim our especial attention, and though it may cost sacrifice, they should be often visited by us. The Teachers should be respected, honored and encouraged, and the Schools command our best efforts for their improvement.

In our varied and numerous public institutions of learning, we shall find powerful and lasting auxiliaries for the improvement of our race. To us as Ministers, it belongs especially to guard their moral and religious interests; and upon this subject we believe it to be our duty at this time, to speak with no feeble or equivocal voice. The changes now going on in society, the flood of foreign population setting in upon our shores, spreading over the breadth of our land, and mingling through all the ramifications of society, demand that the Bible and proper religious instruction should have a prominent and definite place in all our public institutions of learning. Our very nature demands the mingling of religious in-

struction with secular learning, in order to its symmetrical and healthy development. The great frame work and bonds of our American, civil and social life, are drawn from the Bible. Here is found the highest authority for Government, and the only authoritative source of pure morals. The interests of any free self governing people, require that all should be acquainted with the highest and most correct sources of authority for government. A common people demand common morals; they must therefore flow from a common source, and the people, all the people should have common instruction in regard to them. The public institutions of learning are indispensable to meet this demand. In no other way can we be assured that the people will be instructed in them. Therefore, to exclude the Bible and morals of religion from these institutions, would harm the State, if posssible, more than the Church.

Our government both General and State, disclaims all interference in religion, but the government does not therefore ignore religion. The very bodies that made these regulations, show their respect for religion and the meaning of their acts by appointing, and providing compensation for, religious worship among them. Requirement to observe the Sabbath, prohibition of Blasphemy and profane swearing, punishment of Polygamy, show that our public authorities have not regarded this as a heathen or infidel, but a christian country; and we trust the day will never come, when in a christian country,—a protestant christian country, where our Public Institutions and laws are based upon the great principles and morals of the Bible,—the reading of the Bible and proper non sectarian religious instruction shall be excluded from our institutions of learning. And if existing laws are not favorable thereto, it is our duty to exert our influence to make them so.

We beg leave to present the following resolutions for adoption :

Resolved, 1. That we deeply regret the financial loss of the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, and that we will use our best endeavors fully to repair it by encouraging donations from our people to that object.

Resolved, 2. That it will afford us great pleasure to endow (at some future time,) a Professorship in the North Western University, and that as Ministers, we will encourage such an enterprise, and especially by recommending it to our more wealthy members.

Resolved, 3. That we recommend the appointment of a visiting and advisory committee of two, to the Biblical Institute, in accordance with the invitation of the Directors, consisting of W. H. Collins and D. C. Jacokes.

Resolved, 4. That we will, as members, give special attention to the Common Schools on our Circuits and Stations, and visit them frequently as practicable.

Resolved, 5. That we will use all laudable means to establish and maintain the reading of the Bible and proper religious instruction in all our Institutions of Learning.

Resolved, 6. That a vacancy havidg occurred in the Board of Trustees of the North Western University, by the expiration of the term of Rev. C. T. Hinman, we respectfully recommend him for re-election.

W. H. COLLINS, Chairman.

3.—Action on Wesleyan Seminary and Female Collegiate Institute.

(1.) Resolutions.—*Resolved*, That the Trustees be requested to publish an abstract of the state of the finances of the Institution in the North Western Christian Advocate, at as early a day as practicable.

Resolved, That they cause to be laid before this Body, at an early day of its next Session, an answer to the following questions: 1. Do the receipts of the Institiution, from interest on the Endowment Fund and all other sources meet its current expenses? and if not, the amount of deficiency. 2. Are all the assets, whether in Notes or otherwise, promptly collected as they fall due? 3. What amount has been collected in cash and loaned out as a permanent Endowment Fund? 4. What is the amount of assets known to be worthless? 5. What the amount supposed to be doubtful? 6. What the amount known to be good, and in what do the good assets consist? 7. Will there be an imperative need of further aid to endow the Institution permanently, and if so, state what amount, together with any other matters that will be of interest to this Conference.

Resolved, That the Visiting Committee appointed by this Conference be requested to report in writing to this Body, at its next Session, answers to the following inquiries: 1. The state of religion among the Students. 2. The number of Conversions. 3. The number of Expulsions. 4. The number of Deaths. 5. The progress of the Classes in their respective studies. 6. The manner in which all the members of the Faculty have discharged their respective duties. 7. The state of the Library and its wants. 8. The state of the Apparatus and Laboratory and their wants, and any other matters that in their judgment will be of interest to the Conference.

(2.) Visiting Committeee—Rev. E. Crane, Dewitt C. Smith, Esq., Rev. J. Boynton, Prof. L. R. Fisk, Rev. Mr. Gelston, M. A. Daugherty, Esq., E. B. Pond, Revs. R. Bird, J. H. Pitezel, W. Mahon, E. S. Eggleston, Esq., Revs. D. Burns, E. H. Day, W. P. Judd.

(3.) Election of Trustees—The Conference elected W. H. Collins, Benjamin Clark, W. H. Brockway and George Bradley, Trustees of the Institution for the full term of four years.

4.—Action on the Slavery Question.

American Slavery is an invasion of the rights of God; it is an infraction of the eternal law of Jehovah; it wages war with the administration of Divine Justice and Goodness; it is opposed throughout to the spirit and teachings of the Bible; it is distracting and dividing, if not destroying, the Churches of Christ in this land: it is subversive of all the true interests of the Nation, and in its present alarmingly aggressive movements is threatening the very existence of our Federal Union and Republican Government: Wherefore, resolved by this Conference,

1. That we share fully in the general indignation now agitating all the Free States, created by the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, by which it is made possible that one of the fairest portions of the National Domain once consecra-

ted by a solemn Act of Legislation to freedom forever, may become the theatre of such a system of oppression and iniquity as could not be introduced into any other civilized country upon the face of the earth.

2. That we view with the deepest abhorrence the operations of the Fugitive Slave Law, and will use all proper means whatever to contribute to the formation of such a Public Opinion as will peremptorily and absolutely demand its repeal by the National Congress.

3. That we are pained at the very thought that Slaveholding—voluntary and mercenary—exists in the M. E. Church, and that we will exert our utmost influence to augment the existing amount of Anti-slavery sentiment in the Church to such an intensity of advancing power as will effectually, through the proper channels of ecclesiastical action, totally sever the evils of Slavery from our Zion.

4. That we are in favor of the next General Conference enacting such a rule of Discipline as will directly operate to exclude all Slaveholding from the M. E. Church.

(Action on the Troy Conference Resolution was postponed for one year.)

5.—Report on Colonization.

We look upon the African Colonization scheme, as one of the most grand, benevolent, christian enterprises of this or any age. In this country the free blacks are subject to such political and social disabilities arising from prejudice against color, even in strongly Anti-slavery communities, that there is little prospect of any considerable improvement of their character or condition among us. In Africa these disabilities cannot exist. The facilities for communicating with Africa are increasing to such an extent that we have good reason to hope that the day is not far distant when emigrants can be conveyed from our shores to the African coast as easily as from Ireland to America. It is possible that the same generation that has witnessed 1,500,000 of starving Irishmen find their way to our country, may see a like number of colored emigrants from America, spreading along the African coast. The capabilities of Africa to sustain a community under the influence of civilization, that will rival that of any other Nation, is being daily demonstrated by the richness and abundance of her vegetable and mineral products developed by the hands of industrious and enterprising Colonists. The colonies already planted along the coast of Africa have done more toward the suppression of the odious Slave Trade, than has been accomplished by the combined efforts of the armed ships of England and America. To increase their number and strength, is to end the Slave Trade forever. Africa, containing 100,000,000 of immortal souls, is shut up by God to the African race. If ever reclaimed from Paganism and barbarity, it must be accomplished by the instrumentality of colored men; and if colored men can be educated in this country, (and it gives us great pleasure to announce that one of our own number, who is abundantly well qualified for such a work, is desirous of devoting his life to it,) for this work, as can and will be done, if this enterprise has the confidence and patronage of the Christian world, which its importance demands, Africa will be soon redeemed from her bond-

age and death. One of the strongest defences of African Slavery in this country, is the pretence that the race is inferior to us,—incapable of improvement and suited to service by the Creator. If the maintainance of a free Republican Government and free institutions, as Liberia is now doing, in a manner as no other Nation, aside from ours, has shown itself capable of doing in modern times can be perpetuated until the capabilities of the colored man in these respects are established, it will stamp the system of Slavery with additional odium and strike down its last false prop. The facilities now enjoyed in Africa for providing for colored emigrants during the time of their acclimation, has reduced the mortality during this hitherto dreaded period to less than 2 per cent. Thus removing the greatest objection existing in the minds of our colored population to colonization.

We submit the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That we will encourage the emigration of our free people of color to Liberia, and give our countenance to the raising of funds among our people to aid the Society in its truly philanthropic work.

6.—Report on Temperance.

Intemperance still exists in our country as our most withering curse! Every one is continnally exposed to its blight! Parents, children, husbands, wives, brothers and sisters, in person, property, character or feeling, daily realize that they are the victims of this most insatiable, devouring evil.

There are those in our midst, whom moral and religious influences have failed to dissuade from the most horrid traffic in intoxicating drinks, by which this evil is perpetuated.

It is the prerogative and imperative duty of the Civil Government to interpose its strong arm in the form of a positive, prohibitory law for the protection of the suffering, innocent, weak and erring.

To us, it has been a source of profound sorrow that our present law has failed to meet our necessities in this respect. In our opinion, as a people, we have suffered immensely thereby, and we trust measures, the most efficient and thorough, will be adopted to remove its defects at the earliest possible moment. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. by the Michigan Annual Conference assembled, that we have undiminished confidence in the justice and necessity of a Law prohibiting the manufacture or traffic in all intoxicating drinks as a beverage.

Resolved, 2. That while we pledge ourselves to use all moral and religious influences to suppress Intemperance, we will use every laudable means to secure the passage of such a Law.

Resolved, 3. That from an extensive acquaintance with the people of this State we express our full conviction that there is an unceasing desire and determination among the people of the State to obtain and execute such a Law.

7.—Observance of the Sabbath—Resolutions.

Resolved, That we learn with deep regret that some corporate Bodies in our State, are deliberately and constantly violating the Divine Law of the Sabbath.

Resolved, That we commend to their careful attention the precepts of the Bible on this subject, and also the Laws of this State on Sabbath Desecration.

Resolved, That we advise the members of this Conference to preach once at least during the year, in all their congregations, on the observance of the Sabbath.

Resolved, That we learn with pleasure the introduction of a Reform in the observance of the Sabbath, on the Michigan Central Rail Road, by the very worthy Superintendent—Mr. Rice.

8.—Report on Parsonages.

There are about eighty Parsonages in this Conference, more than twenty of which have been built during the past year. Yet we regret to know that more than sixty Charges are destitute. It is the opinion of your committee that a Parsonage in every Charge is indispensable to the convenience of the Ministers and to the financial interests of the Church. Therefore,

Resolved, That it is the imperative duty of every Preacher in charge, to use his influence to have each Charge provide itself with a Parsonage the coming year, where there is none at present, provided with heavy furniture.

9.—Resolution on Church Property.

Resolved, That it is the desire and wish of this Conference, that all our churches be Deeded according to our Deed of Settlement in the Discipline, and that our Boards of Trustees are desired to maintain this form of Deed of Settlement.

10.—North Western Christian Advocate.

The Conference concurred in the proposition of the Publishing Committee, to enlarge the North Western to the size of the Western Christian Advocate.

Rev. F. A. Blades was appointed a member of the Publishing Committee of the N. W. Christian Advocate, for the present year.

11.—On Division of Conference.

Whereas, it is comtemplated that a division of this Conference will be proposed at the next General Conference in 1856. Therefore,

Resolved, That in order to secure enlightened and harmonious action, a Committee of five be appointed to report at the next Conference, respecting the expediency of such division, and the boundary line.

The Committee are, J. F. Davidson, E. H. Pilcher, W. H. Brockway, J. H. Pitezel and Geo. Smith.

12.—On the Collection of Statistics.

Resolved, That it is hereby made obligatory on each Preacher in Charge, to make out a full and complete Statistical Report of his Circuit, Station or Mission, according to the blank form now in use.

Resolved, That these forms be filled beford coming to Conference, that they may be ready for the Committee on Statistics when called for.

Resolved, That any Preacher not intending to be present at Conference, or who may not come till a late period of the Session, be required to forward his

Statistical Report, so that it may reach the Conference by the second day of its Session.

The Conference appointed E. H. Pilcher and A. M. Fitch, a Committee to gather Statistics in reference to the origin and progress of Methodism in Michigan.

13.—Candidates for Examination.

Conference requested the Presiding Elders to impress upon members of the different Classes the importance of being ready for examination, and prompt in their attendance at the time and place of meeting for that purpose.

14.—Report of Committee on the State of the Church.

The Committee on the state of the Church, would have been highly gratified, could they have presented a full Statistical account of its affairs; but for the want of information, which we had hoped to obtain, this Report must be comparatively deficient.

It appears from the Records, that we were Organized with our present limits (the State of Mhichigan,) in August, 1840, and the returns of that year show as follows: 4 Districts, 35 Circuits, 7 Stations, 1 Indian Mission, 69 Traveling Preachers, 121 Local Preachers, 11,141 Members, 20 Meeting Houses and nine Parsonages.

These, by the blessing of God, were secured through the instrumentality of our Fathers and Elder brethren, some of whom have fallen asleep, while others remain among us, to reap to some extent, the harvest of their faithful labors.

In order to give an exhibit of the progress made since the above date, we herewith present the Returns of the present year, thus comprising a period of 14 years:

10 Districts, showing an increase of	6	233 Local Preachers, increase, -	112
110 Circuits, - - - - -	75	17063 Membership, - - - -	5922
19 Stations, - - - - -	12	150 Meeting Houses, - - -	130
6 Indian Missions, - - - -	5	80 Parsonages, - - - - - -	61
146 Traveling Preachers, - - -	77		

For the sake of order, we present first the Financial affairs of the Church:

We believe this Department of our Cause to be more intimately connected with the spiritual prosperity of the Church, than our people are wont to suppose. To rob God in tithes, is but too clear an indication that *heart-offerings* are also wanting.

There has been an average deficiency in meeting the allowances on Claims of the Members and Probationers of this Conference, of over Six Thousand Dollars Annually, amounting to the enormous sum of Eighty-four Thousand Dollars deficiency in fourteen years.

Eighty-four Thousand Dollars! An amount necessary to have saved from temporal care and distressing anxiety, those who have labored in this field.

It remains to be disclosed at the last day, what amount of Ministerial labor and influence have been lost to the Church, the world and individuals, by Min-

isters yielding to the stern necessity of retiring from the work or being discouraged in their appropriate fields of labor, through want of adequate support!

The past four years, which have been the most favored of Providence in the abundance of our Crops and the demand for all the products of our country, show that there has not been a corresponding increase in Contributions to the benevolent operations of the Church. The average amount per member a year to *all* the Benevolent Objects presented by the Church, is only about thirty cents.

Your Committee can but think there is something radically and intrinsically wrong, if not in the System, yet in the application of it. We should seek to know where it is and hasten to remedy it.

We next glance at the Moral and Spiritual state of the Church:

What proportion of the increase of Membership have come to us by Certificate we have no means of showing, but certain it is, we have been favored in the refreshings from the pressence of God, which have contributed much to our increase and strength; and most of the increase of Members of our Conference, have been raised up in our midst and are fast becoming the strong men of our Israel.

In the increase of Members in the Church, we are somewhat encouraged, but with the increase of numbers, are we not warranted in looking for a proportionate increase in every thing that pertains to our interests?

While the true strength of the Church appears in every Department of her labor, it will be seen in its most glorious form, in those direct devotions to God, that so much improve the heart,---we refer to the public preaching of the Word, waiting upon Exhortation, attention to the Prayer and Class Meetings, Love Feasts, Family and Social Religious exercises.

These means of growth in Grace and Knowledge, are not only to be regarded in the light of privilege to the Members of our Church, but of *duty*, and all are under the most solemn obligation to improve them. Every faithful Minister can bear testimony to the fidelity or unfaithfulness of Members of his Charge, in giving a constant and uniform attendance upon these means of Grace.

In our economy, we think our Class Books, if faithfully marked, will afford us an idea of the general attendance upon all the means of Grace In the Class Room, we may count the attendants at the Prayer Meeting, and those most constant in attention to all the duties of the Church.

Your Committee have endeavored to ascertain as nearly as they can, how many of the thousands connected with us in Church fellowship in the State, are in the uniform practice of attending the means of Grace; and in order to do this, (as the Class Book is the only Record made of attendance,) we have made enquiries respecting the attendance upon these means, and as the result of these enquiries, find that about *one-half* from the best computation we can make, "*Willfully and repeatedly neglect to meet in Class.*" About the same number may be reported in reference to Prayer Meetings, while a far less number are neglectful of the public Preaching of the Word!

This neglect of the Institutions of the Church, is to be met with, to a greater or less extent, in every portion of our work' and the saddening influences are seriously felt in every Department of Christian effort.

The Presiding Elder meets with it in his Quarterly Conferences, and often finds himself embarrassed in the absence of many and the want of interest which prevents the carrying out the economy of the Church. The Preachers on the Circuits and Stations, are often seriously hindered and fail to develope to the world that economy which of all others, (with which we are acquainted) has been, and might still be, the most efficient in spreading Scriptural holiness over all lands.

The Love Feast ticket system has come to an end with us. The duty of the Members of the Church, to attend our Class Meetings and Love Feasts, is being seriously questioned in some parts, and to administer the Rule of our Discipline upon neglectors, is regarded by some, both Ministers and Members, as a precursor of ruin to the Church.

While the painful fact meets us at every point, that *half* of our Membership are constantly violating the requirement of the Church to attend Class Meetings, an equally painful fact is apparent---that we, as Pastors over the people, neglect to apply the correctives and keep inviolate the Rules that we have solemnly pledged to keep and not mend, "not for wrath, but for conscience sake." The fact may not be overlooked, that there are some among us entrusted with the care and Government of souls, that not only question the propriety, but *even the duty* to execute the provisions of the Church upon Members who "willfully and repeatedly neglect to meet in Class."

While there exists this want of uniformity of faith in our Rules, and a still greater want of uniformity in the administration of them,---can we hope for a general observance of her requirements, or predict that state of prosperity that has marked her former course?

As a careful observation may satisfy any and every one of the present state of the Church, it will not be difficult to determine the state of things that will ensue upon a general neglect of the Rules that should be the Government of our Faith and practice.

While upon the other hand, if we, as Ministers, are faithful in the discharge of our most solemn Obligations, we are encouraged to hope for a most favorable state of things, and a Church that shall be to her enemies "as terrible as an army with banners."

Your Committee recommend that the Presiding Elders see that the Discipline of the Church in their respective Districts, is mildly and prudently enforced in all cases; and in case any Preacher refuses to attend to the proper administration of the Discipline, they shall report him to this Conference.

We also recommend to each Preacher that he address himself particularly to the work, by visiting Pastorally, and other means of securing a general and uniform attendance upon all the means of Grace.

Knowing, as we do, that faithfulness on the part of the Stewards and Leaders is essentially necessary to prosperity, both in the Financial and Spiritual Departments of the Church; and knowing, too, that these officers have been, and still are, with a few honorable exceptions, seriously delinquent in performing the duties of their respective offices. Therefore,

Resolved, That greater faithfulness on the part of the Stewards and Leaders, is loudly called for, and essentially necessary to that Reformation in those Departments, which this Report but too plainly shows to be much needed.

Resolved, That it is highly necessary, and very desirable, that the Preachers should bring this subject before the Stewards and Leaders of their respective Charges as early as possible.

A. M. FITCH, Chairman.

X. MEMOIRS.

1.—Rev. Lee McQuigg.

Lee McQuigg died in the county of Shiawassee, October 15th, 1853, in the 28th year of his age. In the period of his youth he was made the subject of renewing grace, and immediately entered upon the great work of preparation for the Christian Ministry.

He was received upon trial in the Conference in 1850, and spent the period of his probation upon Hudson and Franklin Circuits.

At the Session of the last Conference, he was received into full connection, and ordained Deacon, and appointed to Du Plain Circuit. While on his way to his Charge he was overtaken with disease, dismissed from service and taken to his reward.

Brother McQuigg was a young man of fine intellectual attainments, prepossessing in his personal appearance, and of deep and ardent piety. From his labors the Church had much to hope; but the sun of his earthly existence early set and the toils of earth enchanged for the reward of heaven.

2.—Rev. Nelson Barnum.

This devoted Servant of Christ, closed his eyes in death, on the morning of the 5th of August in the forty-third year of his age.

He was born at Shoreham, Vermont, January 12th, A. D. 1817. He was received on trial in the Michigan Conference in the year 1844 and spent the period of his probation in active and efficient labor upon the Lapeer and Utica Circuits.

He was admitted into full connection with the Conference in the year 1846, and appointed to the Indian Mission work upon the Shore of Lake Superior. Here he spent six successive years in labors more abundant among this benighted people, associated with his pious wife, who fell in glorious sacrifice a Martyr to her devotion in the Missionary work.

As a man, Brother Barnum was possessed with fair intellectual attainments and excelled in those social qualities and disposition of character, that rendered him an amiable companion, a sympathising husband and a kind and affectionate parent.

In his character as a christian and christian Minister, he was above reproach. He clearly comprehended the duties which his relation to God and the Church imposed upon him, and entered upon their execution with a zeal which knew no weariness until disease prostrated his physical energies and admonished him that his work was done,

At the close of the last Conference he took a Superannuated relation and returned to the place of his nativity, to die in the society of his friends.

He saw the eventful period of his dissolution steadily approaching and rejoiced in the bright prospect which it offered of an eternal rest in the Kingdom of God.

In his valuable correspondence with the writer, he says: "Tell my brethren of the Conference, that though I meet them no more in Conference Session here, I shall patiently await their arrival at my Father's House in Heaven."

His death was not only peaceful, but triumphant. May we partake of his spirit,—emulate his virtue, and finally share the reward of his faith, and triumph forever.

XI. ALPHABETICAL LIST.

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XII. APPENDIX.

A List of the Appointments in Michigan, from the First Introduction of Methodism, down to and including the year 1840.

Prepared by E. H. PILCHER.

1818—Wm. Case, came over from Canada and preached a few times in Detroit.

1814—Detroit—*Joseph Hickox*,
1815 " " "
1816 " *Gideon Lanning*
1817 " *Alpheus Davis*,
1818 " *Truman Dixon*,
1819 " *John P. Kent.*

Connected with Upper Canada, and supplied from the Genesee Conference. After this date it was supplied from the Ohio Conference for most of the time till 1836.

1820 " Platt B. Marcy.
1821 " Platt B. Marcy.
1822 " *Alfred Brunson*, Sam'l. Baker.
1823 " *Elias Pattee*, Billings O. Plympton.
1824—Detroit—*Elias Pattee*, Isaac C. Hunter.
1825—Detroit City—*Wm. Simmons.*
Detroit Circuit—*J A. Baughman*, Solomon Minear.

1826—Detroit District—*Zarah H. Coston*, P. E.

Detroit City—Z. H. Caston.
Detroit Circuit—*John Janes.*
Monroe—*John A. Baughman.*
St. Clair—*James T. Donahoo.*

1827—Detroit District—*Zarah H. Coston*, P. E.

Detroit City—*Z. H. Coston.*
Detroit Circuit—*Wm. Runnels, J. Janes.*
Monroe—*Geo W. Walker, J. Armstrong.*
St. Clair—To be supplied.

1828—Detroit District—*Zarah H. Caston*, P. E.

Detroit City—*Arza Brown.*
Oakland—Wm. T. Snow.
Huron—Benjamin Cooper.
Monroe—*Geo. W. Walker.*
St. Clair Mission—*Elias Pattee.*

1829—Detroit District—*Curtis Goddard*, P. E.

Detroit City—*Arza Brown.*
Oakland—Wm. T. Snow.
Huron—Leonard B. Gurly.
Monroe—*Jacob Hill.*
St. Clair Mission—Samuel A. Latta.
St. Joseph " Erastus Felton.

1830—Detroit District—*Curtis Goddard*, P. E.

Detroit City—*Alvan Billings.*
Oakland—*Arza Brown*, Wm. Sprague.
Ann Arbor—H. Colclazer, E. H. Pilcher.
Monroe—James W. Finley.
St. Clair—*Benjamin Cooper.*
St. Joseph Mission—Leonard B. Gurly, Erastus Felton.

1831—Detroit District—*Curtis Goddard*, P. E.

Detroit City—*Henry Coldoger.*
Oakland—Bradford Frazee, T. Wiley.
Tecumseh—Elijah H. Pilcher, Ezekiel S. Gavit.
Monroe—*James W. Finley.*
Ypsilanti—*Alvan Billings*, Benj. Allen.
St. Joseph Mission—*Benj. Cooper*, Wm. Sprague.
Kalamazoo Mission—Erastus Felton.
St. Clair Mission—*Leonard Hill*, Elias Pattee, Sup.

1832—Detroit District—*James Giruth*, P. E.

Detroit—*H. Colclazer, Elias Pattee*, Sup.
Mt. Clemens—*Leonard Hill*, R. Cheney.
Farmington—Marcus Swift.
Ypsilanti—*Alvan Billings*, A. B. Elliott.
Ann Arbor—Wm. M. Sullivan, Luther D. Whitney.
Tecumseh—James F. Davidson, Thos. Wiley.
Monroe—E. H. Pilcher, E. C. Gavit.
St. Clair Mission—Ezekiel S. Gavit.
Saginaw " Bradford Frazee.
Calhoun " Andrew Dixon.

PART OF MISSIONARY DISTRICT, IA. CONFERENCE—*James Armstrong*, P. E.

St. Joseph mission—R. S. Robinson, G. M. Beswick.
Kalamazoo Mission—James T. Robe.

1833—DETROIT DISTRICT—*James Gilruth*, P. E.

Detroit—*Elijah Crane.*
Monroe—*Elijah H. Pilcher, W. Sprague.*
Mt. Clemens—Leonard Hill, Wm. M. Sullivan.
Farmington—James F. Davidson, John Kinnear.
Ypsilanti—Marcus Swift, R. Lawrence.
Ann Arbor—*Henry Colclazer*, Arthur B. Elliott.
Tecumseh—Bradford Frazee, Duncan McGregor.
St. Clair Mission—Luther D. Whitney,
Calhoun " Thomas Wiley.
Huron " Wm. H. Brockway.

PART OF NORTH WEST DISTRICT, IA. CONFERENCE—*James Armstrong*, P. E.

St. Joseph—Newell E. Smith
Kalamazoo Mission—Richard C. Meek.

1834—DETROIT DISTRICT—*James Gilruth*, P. E.

Detroit—*Elijah Crane.*
Tecumseh—Thomas Wiley, one to be supplied.
Ann Arbor—*H. Colclazer*, H. Gerring.
Farmington—*Elijah H. Pilcher*, Fred'k. A. Seaborn.
Mt. Clemens—Luther D. Whitney, one to be supplied.
Ypsilanti—Wm. H. Brockway.
Plymouth Mission—Marcus Swift, Lorenzo Davis.
St. Clair—Arthur B. Elliott.
Calhoun Mission—*James F. Davidson*, Richard Lawrence.

PART OF LAPORTE DISTRICT, IA. CONFERENCE—*Richard Hargrave*, P. E.

St. Joseph—*R. S. Robinson.*
Cassopolis—Richard C. Meek.
Kalamazoo Mission—J. T. Robe.

1835—DETROIT DISTRICT—*James Gilruth*, P. E.

Detroit—*Wm. Herr.*
St. Clair—Hiram Gerring.
Mt. Clemens—L. D. Whitney, Larman Chatfield.
Lapeer Mission—To be supplied.
Farmington—*Wm. Sprague*, L. Davis.
Plymouth—*Elijah Crane*, O. Mitchell.
Ypsilanti—Arthur B. Elliott.
Huron Mission—A. Buchels, *E. Pattee*, Supernumerary.
Saginaw Mission—Wm. H. Brockway.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—*Henry Colclazer*, P. E.

Ann Arbor—*Thomas Wiley.*
Tecumseh—*James F. Davidson*, Washington Jackson.
Saline—*Wm. M. Sullivan*, L. Smith.
Monroe—Robert Triggs, M. G. Perkizer
Calhoun Mission—*Elijah H. Pilcher*, F. A. Seaborn.
Coldwater Mission—Richard Lawrence.
Grand River " O. Monnett.

PART OF LAPORTE DISTRICT, IA. CONFERENCE—*Richard Hargrave*, P. E.

Cassopolis—T. P. McCool.
St. Joseph—*Erastus Kellogg.*
Kalamazoo—S. S. Williams.

Up to September, 1836, Michigan was included in the Ohio Conference. At this time the Michigan Conference was organized, including a part of Ohio, but only the Appointments in the State of Michigan are given.

1836—DETROIT DISTRICT—*Wm. Herr*, P. E.

Detroit—Edward Thomson.
Ypsilanti & Huron Miss.—W. H. Brockway, Chas. Babcock.
Romeo—*A. B. Elliott*, L. Chatfield.
Mt. Clemens—Hiram Gerring.
St. Clair—Robert Triggs.

Plymouth—*Wm. Sprague*, David Burns.
Farmington—*L. D. Whitney*, Mark Delany.
Lapeer Mission—*Philip Wareham.*
Saginaw " Oscar F. North.
Livingston " Washington Jackson.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—*Henry Colclazer*, P. E.

Ann Arbor—*Peter Sharp*,
Monroe—*James F. Davidson.*
Saline—Richard Lawrence, A. Staples.
Tecumseh—*Wm. M. Sullivan*, John H. Pitezel.
Coldwater—*Peter Sabin*, Lewis Smith.
Calhoun—*Elijah Crane.*
Spring Arbor—*John Kinnear*, M. G. Perkizer.
Bean Creek Mission—Lorenzo Davis.
Grand River Mission—F. A. Seaborn.
Elijah H. Pilcher was sup. this year.

PART OF LAPORTE DISTRICT, IA. CONFERENCE—*R. Hargrave*, P. E.

Niles—T. P. McCool, one to be supplied
Kalamazoo—*Erastus Kellogg*, H. B. Beers.
St. Joseph—*Richard C. Meek*, Jas. D. Sandford.

1837—DETROIT DISTRICT—*Wm Herr*, P. E.

Detroit—*Edward Thomson.*
Ypsilanti—Wesley J. Wells.
Dearbornville & Huron Mission—*W. H. Brockway.*
Plymouth—*Wm. Sprague*, O. F. North.
Farmington—L. Chatfield, one to be supplied.
Romeo—David Burns, Robt. Ridgway.
Mt. Clemens—*Arthur B. Elliott.*
St. Clair—Robert Triggs.
Saut St. Marie & Kewawenon Miss.—D. M. Chandler.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—*Henry Colclvzer*, P. E.

Ann Arbor—*Elijah H. Pilcher.*
Monroe—*James F. Davidson.*
Dundee Mission—James Shaw.
Saline—*Richard Lawrence*, L. Smith.
Tecumseh—*Peter Sharp*, R. Richards.
Adrian—John H. Pitezel.
Bean Creek Mission—John Scotford, A. Staples.
Coldwater—*Peter Sabin*, L. Davis.
Marshall—*Elijah Crane*, one to be supplied.
Spring Arbor—*John Kinnear*, Zebulon C. Brown.

FLINT RIVER DISTRICT—*Samuel P. Shaw*, P. E.

Flint River Mission—*L. D. Whitney.*
Saginaw " Charles Babcock.
Lapeer—Flavel Brittan, one to be supplied.
Livingston—To be supplied.
Dexter—G. W. Breckenridge,
Shiawassee—W. Jackson, Isaac Bennett
Clinton Mission—Alanson Flemming.
Grand River " Orin Mitchell.

PART OF LAPORTE DISTRICT, IA. CONFERENCE—*R. Hargrave*, P. E.

Niles—James S. Harrison, Sandford S. Williams.
Kalamazoo—*E. Kellogg*, J. Colclazer.
St. Joseph—Wm. Todd.

1838—DETROIT DISTRICT—*George Smith*, P. E.

Detroit—*Jonathan E. Chaplin.*
Pontiac—*Josiah Brakeman.*
Farmington—*Leonard Hill.*
Oakland—*John Cosart.*
Lapeer—*Oren Mitchell.*
Flint River Mission—*L. D. Whitney.*
Saginaw Mission—Jonathan Hudson.
Romeo—James Shaw, R. R. Richards.
Mt. Clemens—*Richard Lawrence.*
Palmer—Alanson Flemming.
Port Huron Mission—Miles Sandford.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—*Henry Colclazer*, P. E.

Ann Arbor—*Elijah Crane.*
Ypsilanti—John H. Pitezel.
Plymouth—*John Kinnear*, A. Minnis.
Saline—Arthur B. Elliott, L. Davis.
Tecumseh—*Wm. Sprague*, George King.
Adrian—Eleazer Thomas.

Northville—*James A. Kellam,*
Livingston—Flavel Brittan.
Dexter—Oliver Burgess.

Saut St. Marie & Kewawenon Miss.—*William H. Brockway.*

MARSHALL DISTRICT—*Elijah H. Pilcher,* P. E.

Marshall—*Alvan Billings,* Allen Staples
Coldwater—*James F. Davidson,* Levi Warriner.
Jonesville—*Peter Sabin,* Z. C. Brown.
Spring Arbor—George W. Breckenridge Thomas S. Jakeway.

Ingham Mission—Washington Jackson.
Clinton " Rufus L. Blowers.
Shiawassee " *Isaac Bennett.*
Lyons—*Larman Chatfield.*
Grand Rapids Mission—James H. Frees.

PART OF MAUMEE DISTRICT—*John Janes,* P. E.

Monroe—*John A. Baughman.*
Dearbornville—*Robert Triggs,* W. H. Collins.

Dundee Mission—Ira McIntyre, Dewitt C. Johnson.
Palmyra—John Scotford.

PART OF LAPORTE DISTRICT, IA. CONFERENCE—*Aaron Wood,* P. E.

Niles—Wm. H. Sampson.
Berrien Mission—Joseph Byron.
Kalamazoo—*W. Todd,* H. Worthington.

Allegan—George Stanley.
St. Joseph—*J. Ercanbrack,* E. Arnold.

1839—DETROIT DISTRICT—*George Smith,* P. E.

Detroit—*Henry Colclazer.*
Pontiac—Miles Sandford, R. Sapp.
Farmington—James Shaw, Halsey W. Ransom.
Oakland—*John Cosart.*
Lapeer Mission—Ebenezer Steele.

Flint Mission—*Larman Chatfield,* S. Whitroom.
Romeo—*L. D. Whitney,* Joseph Reese.
Utica—*Josiah Brakeman.*
Mt. Clemens—J. Hudson, D. McGregor.
Palmer Mission—Salmon Steele.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—*Alvan Billings,* P. E.

Ann Arbor—*Elijoh Crane.*
Ypsilanti—*David Burns.*
Plymouth—*Robert Triggs, A. Flemming.*
Northville—*John H. Pitezel.*
Livingston—O. M. Goodale, George W. Brown.

Shiawassee Mission—*T. Brittan.*
Dexter—Adam Minnis, J. H. Gillett.
Saline—George Bradley, Urias Hoyt.
Tecumseh—*W Sprague, John Sayre.*
Adrian—*James A. Kellam.*

MARSHALL DISTRICT—*Elijah H. Pilcher,* P. E.

Marshall—*Benjamin Sabin.*
Battle Creek—*James F. Davidson,* W. Jackson.
Coldwater—*Roswell Parker,* J. Jones.
Jonesville—John Scotford, *P. Sabin.*
Spring Arbor—George W. Breckenridge, R. L. Blowers.

Jackson—Lorenzo Davis, T. S. Jakway.
Ingham Mission—*Isaac Bennett.*
Lyons " Z. C. Brown, Levi Warriner.
Grand Rapids Mission—R. R. Richards A. Staples.

PART OF MAUMEE DISTRICT—*John Janes,* P. E.

Monroe—Andrew M. Fitch.
Dearbornville—Charles Babcock, Jona. Blanchard.

Dundee—*D Barns,* J *A Baughman, Sup.*
Palmyra—John Grey, R. P. Sheldon.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT, IA. CONFERENCE—*John Ercanbrack,* P. E.

Niles—William H. Sampson.
Edwardsburg—Joseph Byron.
White Pigeon—*James V. Watson.*
Centreville—*Erastus Kellogg.*

Kalamazoo—*H. Van Order,* O. S. Wells.
Berrien Mission—Franklin Gage.
Paw Paw " Henry Worthington.
Allegan—*William Todd.*

1840.—Detroit District, *George Smith*, P. E.

Detroit—*Henry Colclazer.*
Pontiac—*James Shaw*, F. B. Bangs.
Oakland—William Mothersill.
Lapeer Mission—Duncan McGregor.
Flint " E. Steele, J. Blanchard.
Romeo—R. Sapp, Hiram M. Roberts.
Utica—Oscar F. North, H. W. Ransom.
Mt. Clemens—*Josiah Brakeman.*
Palmer Mission—Salmon Steele.

Ann Arbor District—*Alvan Billings*, P. E.

Ann Arbor—*Jonathan Hudson.*
Ypsilanti—*James A. Kellam.*
Plymouth—*L. Chatfield, Robert Trigg,*
Northville—*Geo. W Breckenridge,*
Livingston—O. M. Goodale,
Shiawassee—*F. Brittan*, S. C. Stringham
Dexter—Lorenzo Davis.
Saline—George Bradley, *A Flemming.*
Farmington—J. *Cosart*, D. C. Jacokes.

Marshall District—*Elijah H. Pilcher*, P. E.

Marshall—*James S. Harrison.*
Battle Creek—*Richard Lawrence, Sup.*
Coldwater—*R. Parker, Benj. Sabin.*
Albion—J. *F. Davidson*, T. S. Jakway.
Jackson—J. *H Pitezel*, David Thomas.
Ingham—*Washington Jackson.*
Eaton Mission—*Isaac Bennett.*
Mapleton—Levi Warriner.
Lyons Mission—Allen Staples, Samuel Lapham.
Grand Rapids Mission—*E. M. Crippen*, Daniel Bush.

Monroe District—*Elijah Crane*, P. E.

Monroe—*David Burns*,
Dearbornville—Adam Minnis,
Dundee—John Gray, G. J. Shurtliff,
Tecumseh—*John A Baughman*, John K Gillett,
Adrian—*Andrew M Fitch*,
Jonesville—John Scotford, Jonathan Jones,
Palmyra—Charles Babcock, Wellington H Collins.

Kalamazoo District—*John Ercanbrack*, P. E.

White Pigeon—*William H Sampson*,
Centreville—*Erastus Kellogg*,
Edwardsburg—Joseph Byron, David Knox,
Niles—*James V Watson*,
Berrien Mission—H Worthington,
Prairie Ronde—Franklin Gage,
Kalamazoo—R R Richards, R H Cook,
Allegan Mission—William Todd,
Paw Paw Mission—*H Van Order.*

Missions—*William* H. *Brockway*, Superintendent.

Saut St. Marie—*William* H *Brockway*, G W Brown, P Marksman,
Kewawenon—George King, J Kahbeego
Mackinaw—*Luther D Whitney.*

MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTIETH SESSION

OF THE

MICHIGAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

HELD

IN THE CITY OF FLINT,

September 5—11, 1855.

ANN ARBOR:
E. B. POND, BOOK AND JOB PRINTER, ARGUS OFFICE.
1855.

MINUTES.

I. CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION.

The Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, commenced its twentieth session in the city of Flint, Sept. 5, 1855, at 8 o'clock A. M., Bishop E. R. AMES presiding.

The Conference was opened by reading the Scriptures, singing, and prayer by the President.

T. C. GARDNER was elected Secretary, and R. C. CRAWFORD Assistant Secretary.

The following standing Committees were then appointed:

On Public Worship—G. Smith, J. M. Arnold and S. Calkins.

Conference Stewards—S. Clements, Jr., A. J. Eldred and J. H. Pitezel.

On Missions—W. H. Collins, W. E. Bigelow, E. H. Pilcher, Geo. Bradley, J. K. Gillett, T. H. Jacokes, H. Penfield, Geo. Smith, J. Blanchard and J. Shaw.

Mission Auditing Committee—M. B. Camburn, F. A. Blades and D. A. Curtis.

On Education—E. O. Haven, A. D. Wilbor, W. H. Perrine, G. Bignell and D. Burns.

On Sunday Schools—M. Hickey, N. Fassett and J. Boynton.

On Temperance—G. Taylor, I. Bennett, S. A. Osborn, F. W. Warren and E. D. Young.

On Bible Cause—J. A. Baughman, T. B. Granger and G. W. Hoag.

On Publication of Minutes—S. Reed, R. Bird, T. C. Gardner, W. E. Bigelow and E. O. Haven.

On Post Offices—Wm. Benson.

On Tract Cause—J. F. Davidson, A. R. Bartlett, Wm. Mahon, J. Jennings and J. S. Sutton.

On Bethel Cause—Wm. C. Comfort, A. C. Shaw and I. Coggshall.

On Slavery—R. Sapp, W. H. Brockway, J. S. Smart, E. Crane and A. M. Fitch.

On Statistics—A. A. Dunton, J. E. McAllister and E. Westlake.

On Conference Seminary—F. B. Bangs, D. Burns and D. C. Jacokes.

On Memoirs—J. V. Watson, S. Steel and E. Holdstock.

On Parsonages—D. Thomas, E. H. Day and T. Carter.

II. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1. Who have been admitted on trial?

Answer—Rowland Ward, A. J. Bigelow, Wm. Donelly, N. L. Otis, John Clubine, Jr., John Braggin, T. J. Hill, D. S. Freeman, J. B. Varnum, L. H. Dean, Wm. Tuttle, Erastus Klumph, B. A. Wightman, M. A. Daugherty, H. C. Wells, N. C. Ethridge, Thos. Clark, T. J. Congdon, M. L. Carpenter, Saml. Wilkinson, H. C. Hutchins, G. A. Chipman, B. L. Deshetler, J. J. Smith, Wm. Birdsall, L. R. Fisk, Jas. H. Caster—27.

Question 2. Who remain on trial?

Answer—Alvin L. Crittendon, Ira H. Camburn, Porter Williams, Lewis Mitchell, John G. Whitcomb, Wm. M. Hevener, Samuel N. House, Henry O. Parker, Thomas Lyon, Asahel Beach, Edmund C. Chambers, C. W. Murray, Nelson L. Brockway, G. D. Palmer, E. B. Prindle, Chas. W. Seaman, Joseph Elliott, Wm. Stafford, Robert Johnson, E. H. Brockway, Wm. Fox, Wm. McKnight, W. F. Jenkins—23.

Question 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer—Benj. H. Hedger, Loren M. Bennett, Isaac S. Finch, Seth B. Finch, Isaac N. Thoms, Orlando Sanborn, David B. Tracy, John O. Bancroft, Park S. Donelson, D. D. Gillett—10.

Question 4. Who are the Deacons?

Answer—I. W. Donelson, E. R. Hascall, S. S. Littlefield, T. J. Joslin, J. S. Harder, Henry Jackson, S. P. Warner, J. H Burnham, R. C. Crane, Peter Marksman, Jacob Dobbins, L. M. Bennett,

S. B. Finch, I. N. Thoms, J. O. Bancroft, Orlando Sanborn, D. B. Tracy, B. H. Hedger, I. S. Finch, P. S. Donelson, L. W. Earl, D. D. Gillett, F. W. May—23.

Question 5. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

Answer—Alfred A. Dunton, William H. Perrine, Jesse E. McAllister, Jas. W. Robinson, Thomas H. Bignell, Alanson R. Bartlett, John Levington, Jeremy Boynton, W. W. Johnson, S. Clements, Jr., and Benj. F. Pritchard—11.

Question 6. Who have located this year?

Answer—E. McClure, R. Pengelly, I. C. Abbott and J. W. Cawthorn.

Question 7. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Answer—E. Crane, Wm. P. Judd.

Question 8. Who are the Superannuated or worn out Preachers?

Answer—Robert Triggs, Alvan Billings, William Todd, Benj Sabin, Benj. F. Doughty, J. E. Parker, Andrew Bell, E. H. Day, T. H. Jacokes and R. Dubois.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the connection this year?

Answer—None.

Question 10. Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

Answer—None.

Question 11. Were all the Preachers' characters examined.

Answer—This was strictly attended to by calling over their names before the Conference.

Question 12. Who have died this year?

Answer—C. T. Hinman, R. Goodell and J. J. Whitmore. (See Memoirs.)

Question 13. What is the number of Members, and what of Probationers in Society?

Answer—Members, 18,497; Probationers, 3,048.

Question 14. What amounts are necessary for the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers, and to make up the deficiency of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on the circuits?

Answer—On the claims of effective men, - - - - $2,994 44
On those of the Superannuated Preachers, 1,995 00

Total, - - - - - - - - - - - $4,989 44

Question 15. What has been collected on the above account and how has it been applied?

Answer—From the different charges as a "fifth collection," there has been received, - - - - $383 68
From the Chartered Fund, - - - - - - 37 00
From the public collection at Conference, - - 38 92

Total, - - - - - - - $459 60

The above amount has been distributed as follows, viz:

To A. Billings, - -	$44,38	To Mrs. King, -	$21,68
R. Triggs, - - - -	44,38	Mrs. Fox, - - -	21,68
W. Todd, - - -	44,38	Mrs. Ruark, - -	21,68
B. F. Doughty, - -	47,98	Mrs. Ercanbrack,	21,68
A. Bell, - - - -	55,25	Mrs. Brakeman,	27,10
S. C. Woodward, -	47,83	Mrs. Chaplin, -	26,05
Mrs. Staples, - -	32,56	Mrs. Roberts, - -	2,62
			$459,60

The receipts from the "Parkhurst Fund" are $35,00. Distributed as follows, viz:

To Mrs. Staples, - - - -	$8,10
Mrs. King, - - - - -	5,00
Mrs. Fox, - - - - - -	5,00
Mrs. Brakeman, - - - -	6,90
Mrs. Ruark, - - - - -	5,00
Mrs. Ercanbrack, - - - -	5,00
	$35,00

Question 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions; what for the Sunday School Union; what for the publication and circulation of Tracts; and what to aid the American Bible Society?

Answer—For Missions, $3,042 48; for the Sunday School Union, $262 08; for Tracts, $963 62; for American Bible Society, $559,61.

Question 17. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?
Answer—

DETROIT DISTRICT—W. H. COLLINS, P. E.

Detroit.
- Woodward Avenue—*A. D. Wilbor.*
- Congress Street—*M. Hickey,*
- Lafayette Street—*W. H. Perrine.*
- French Mission—*T. Carter.*
- Walnut Street and Lee Chapel—*J. A. Baughman.*

Trenton—*J. F. Davidson.*
Flat Rock—*R. McConnell.*
Dearbornville—B. L. Deshetler.
Farmington—*C. Mosher, J. W. Holt.*
Pontiac—*D. C. Jacokes.*
Birmingham—*F. Brittan,* R. Johnson.
Utica—*S. Bessey.*
Belleville—John J. Smith.
Mt. Clemens—Rowland Ward.
Wayne—J. H. Caster.
Plymouth—*S. Calkins.*
Northville—*Wm. Taylor.*

Western Seamen's Friend Society—*A. M. Fitch,* Financial Secretary; member of the Lafayette Street Quarterly Conference.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—W. E. BIGELOW, P. E.

Ann Arbor—1st Charge, *S. Reed, W. P. Judd,* Sup.
2d Charge, *Wm. Benson.*
Ypsilanti—*F. A. Blades.*
Oakville—C. W. Seaman.
Augusta—A. J. Bigelow.
Henrietta—I. H. Camburn,
Grass Lake—*J. S. Smart.*
South Lyons—*J. E. McAllister.*
Milford—*Eli Westlake.*
Hartland—Benj. A. Wightman, L. H. Dean.
Superior—To be supplied.
Brighton—W. M. Hevener.
Howell—*O. D. W. White.*
Pinckney—W. Fox.
Williamsville—B. H. Hedger, one to be supplied.
Mason—Erastus Klumph, one to be supplied
Dexter—*L. D. Price.*
Chelsea—E. H. Brockway.
Saline—*R. Bird.*

University of Michigan—*E. O. Haven,* Professor; member of First Charge Quarterly Conference.

Michigan State Normal School—L. R. Fisk, Professor; member of the Ypsilanti Quarterly Conference.

ADRIAN DISTRICT—E. H. PILCHER, P. E.

Adrian—Toledo street, *A. J. Eldred.*
Church street, *T. C. Gardner.*
Tecumseh—*I. Taylor.*
Ridgeway—E. R. Hascall.
Clinton—S. S. Littlefield.
Manchester—*E. Steel.*
Napoleon—to be supplied.
Liberty—to be supplied.
Rome—W. Donelly.
Franklin—S. P. Warner.
Morenci—*S. P. Barker.*
Addison—I. S. Finch.
Palmyra—D. B. Tracy.
Bedford—J. Dobbins.
Monroe—F. May.
Hudson—*F. W. Warren.*
Dundee—to be supplied.

Editor of the North-Western Christian Advocate—*J. V. Watson.*

MARSHALL DISTRICT—J. JENNINGS, P. E.

Marshall—*E. Holdstock.*
Albion—*Wm. Mahon.*
Jackson—*R. C. Crawford.*
Battle Creek—*F. B. Bangs.*
Hastings—N. L. Brockway.
Eaton Rapids—to be supplied.
Charlotte—Thomas Lyon, N. L. Otis.
Parma—*M. B. Camburn.*
Marengo—*S. Steele.*
Bellevue—*G. W. Hoag.*
Galesburg—*F. Gage.*
Burlington—to be supplied.
South Albion—*H. Law.*
Middleville—to be supplied.
Penfield—to be supplied.

Wesleyan Seminary at Albion—*N. Abbott* and *C. C. Olds,* Professors; members of Albion Quarterly Conference.

Geo. Bradley, Agent; member of South Albion Quarterly Conference.

Coldwater District—J. K. Gillett, P. E.

Coldwater—*H. Morgan.*
Girard—*N. Fassett.*
Union City—one to be supplied, J. Clubine.
Centerville—to be supplied.
Three Rivers—*T. B. Granger.*
Constantine—*H. Hall.*
White Pigeon—M. A. Daugherty.
Sturgis—*V. G. Boynton.*
Gilead—A. C. Wells.
Quincy—L. W. Earl.
Reading—E. C. Chambers.
Litchfield—*S. C. Woodard; E. Crane,* Sup.
Jonesville—S. B. Finch.
Hillsdale—to be supplied.
Moscow—D. D. Gillett.
Osseo—*N. Mount.*

Kalamazoo District—I. Coggshall, P. E.

Kalamazoo—*D. Burns.*
Cooper—Porter Williams.
Otsego—W. F. Jenkins, N. C. Ethridge.
Allegan—*S. A. Osborn.*
Ganges—W. Stafford.
Schoolcraft—*F. Glass.*
Ostemo—to be supplied.
Paw Paw—*W. C. Comfort.*
Niles—*Jeremy Boynton.*
Sumnerville—John Braggin.
Dowagiac—*J. W. Robinson.*
Decatur—*J. T. Robe,* A Beach.
Edwardsburgh—*J. H. Pitezel.*
Buchanan—to be supplied.
New Buffalo—*S. Hendrickson.*
St. Joseph—*T. H. Bignell.*
Black River—to be supplied.

Grand Rapids District—H. Penfield, P. E.

Grand Rapids—East Charge, *R. Sapp.* West Charge, to be supplied.
Paris—Thomas Clark.
Steel's Landing—to be supplied.
Sparta—I. N. Thoms.
Newaygo—Thos. S. Congdon.
White River—L. M. Bennett.
Flat River—*Amos Wakefield.*
Boston—W. McKnight.
Laphamville—G. D. Palmer.
Granville—*G. Bignell.*
Ionia—*I. Bennett.*
Portland—*A. A. Dunton,* M. L. Carpenter.
Matherton—*S. N. House.*
Lansing—P. S. Donelson.
Dewitt—*E. D. Young.*
Du Plain—J. S. Harder, F. J. Hill.
Williamston—A. L. Crittendon.

Flint District—George Smith, P. E.

Flint—*Geo. Taylor.*
Flushing—*W. Mothersill.*
Grand Blanc—R. C. Crane, one to be supplied.
Genesee—*Thomas Wakelin.*
Corunna—*J. M. Arnold.*
Antrim—E. B. Prindle.
Bennington—S. Wilkinson.
Byron—*Alfred Allen.*
Oak Grove—Wm. Birdsall.
Flowerville—C. W. Murray.
Fentonville—*J. Sommerville.*
Clarkston—J. W. Donelson, one to be supplied.
Hadley—*G. N. Belknap,* L. Mitchell.
Lapeer—*O. Whitmore.*
Marathon—Geo. A. Chipman.
Tuscola—H. C. Hutchins.
East Saginaw—*S. Clements,* Jr.
Saginaw City—*John Levington.*
Lower Saginaw—T. J. Joslin.
Midland—Wm. Tuttle.

Romeo District—J. Blanchard, P. E.

Romeo—*E. W. Borden.*
Almont—*J. S. Sutton.*
Dryden—to be supplied.
Armada—J. O. Bancroft.
Memphis—to be supplied.
Gratiot—J. G. Whitcomb.
Willow Creek—to be supplied.
Lake Port—H. O. Parker.
Lexington—*A. R. Bartlett.*
Port Sanilac—to be supplied.
Clyde—O. Sanborn.
Port Huron—*J. Russell.*
St. Clair—*W. G. Stonex.*
Newport—*S. C. Stringham.*
New Haven—*S. P. Lee.*
Oxford—*Thos. Seely.*
Washington—J. *Gray,* one to be supplied.
Dwight's Mills—Joseph B. Varnum.
Forestville—to be supplied.

INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT—W. H. BROCKWAY, P. E.

Cazier—Daniel S. Freeman.
Janesville—*P. O. Johnson*, P. Marksman.
Grand River—*W. W. Johnson*, H. Jackson.
Nottaway—D. Thomas, J. Elliott.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—JAS. SHAW.

Sault Ste. Marie Indian Mission—*Jas. Shaw.*
Kewawenon—J. H. Burnham.
Eagle River and Eagle Harbor—*H. N. Brown.*
Portage Lake—*B. F. Pritchard.*
Marquette—*A. C. Shaw.*

Question 18. Where shall our next Conference be held?

Answer—The Michigan Conference will meet at Coldwater; and in case of division the Detroit Conference will meet at Adrian. Time not given.

III. COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION FOR 1856.

1.—Michigan Conference.

1ST YEAR.—S. Steele, E. Holdstock, J. Boynton.
2D YEAR.—J. H. Pitezel, H. Hall, H. Morgan.
3D YEAR.—C. C. Olds, W. Mahon, T. B. Granger.
4TH YEAR.—F. B. Bangs, D. Burns, G. W. Hoag.
F. B. Bangs is appointed to preach the Annual Missionary Sermon.

2.—Detroit Conference.

1ST YEAR.—R. Bird, E. Westlake, I. Taylor.
2D YEAR.—A. D. Wilbor, D. C. Jacokes, W. G. Stonex.
3D YEAR.—F. A. Blades, O. Whitmore, S. Calkins.
4TH YEAR.—E. O. Haven, T. C. Gardner, J. M. Arnold.
E. O. Haven is appointed to preach the Annual Missionary Sermon.

IV. DELEGATES.

1.—Delegates to the General Conference of 1856.

J. V. Watson, E. H. Pilcher, J. K. Gillett, W. H. Collins, W. H. Brockway, R. Sapp, D. Burns.

RESERVE DELEGATES.—Geo. Bradley, E. O. Haven.

2.—Delegates to Ecclesiastical Bodies.

The Ministers stationed in the places where those Bodies in Fraternal Correspondence with this Conference respectively hold their Sessions.

V. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

1.—Conference Vice President of S. S. Union.

Rev. T. C. GARDNER.

2.—Conference S. S. Society.

President—DAVID BURNS. *Secretary*—J. M. ARNOLD.
Vice President—T. H. JACOKES. *Treasurer*—F. W. WARREN.

3.—Sunday School Committee.

M. Hickey,	J. Owen,	S. Reed,	S. L. Haight,
G. Taylor,	Wm. Patterson,	W. Mahon,	John Wells,
V. G. Boynton,	Wm. Allman,	D. Burns,	S. W. Walker,
R. Sapp,	L. R. Atwater,	A. C. Shaw,	A. J. Eldred,
T. Taylor,	E. W. Borden,	O. Canfield.	

4.—Report on Sunday Schools.

Whereas it is of great importance to be making constant improvement and progress in the Sunday School enterprise; and *whereas* it may be of great service to this good cause to have a conference committee specially charged with the duty of watching over and promoting our Sunday School interests during the interval of our annual sessions; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That until the conference shall otherwise direct, we request the presiding bishop each year to nominate for the election of the conference a Vice President of the Sunday School Union of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a Committee on Sunday Schools, consisting of one minister and one layman from each district. It shall be the duty of members of this committee to pay special attention to the wants and interests of Sunday Schools in their several districts, to aid in raising funds for the Sunday School Union, to collect pertinent facts, to make reports and statements to the Union, to establish and visit Sunday Schools, to attend Sunday School conventions, to organize and keep in action district auxiliaries to the Sunday School Union, and to devise ways and means of promoting, in every practical degree, the proper organization of Sunday Schools, the better qualification of teachers, and the religious instruction of the rising generation.

Resolved, 2. That the Vice President of the Union be the chairman of this committee, with power to call a meeting as early in the conference year as practicable, at which plans of action and effort for the year shall be devised, and another meeting at the time and place of our next conference, to prepare a report to be submitted to the conference.

Resolved, 3. That the presiding elders be requested to act with the members of the committee on their several districts, and to aid them in calling and holding Sunday School Conventions, in organizing District Unions, and in promoting the various objects contemplated by these resolutions.

Resolved, 4. That for local purposes each district committee, thus composed of the presiding elders, one minister, and one layman, shall have power to add

to its number such other ministers and laymen as will co-operate usefully in promoting the objects of the committee's appointment.

Resolved, 5. That the ministers named on this committee be charged with the duty of collecting our Sunday School statistics at the end of the year for which they serve.

Resolved, 6. That the appointment of this committee remain in force till another similar one is made, near the close of our ensuing session.

Resolved, 7. That the present plan of action is no way designed to diminish the responsibility of each minister among us to do all that he can for the religious instruction of the rising generation, and for the welfare of Sunday Schools; but that in its adoption we pledge ourselves to renewed activity in this holy enterprise.

Resolved. 8. That it shall be the duty of the preacher in charge at the seat of our next conference, in connection with this committee if practicable, to make arrangements for a public Sunday School anniversary, to be held at an early period during our next session, Thursday evening of the first week being the time preferred.

Resolved, 9. That our Conference Sunday School Union be requested so to amend its constitution as that its district directors shall be appointed in the manner prescribed in these resolutions, and shall be *identical with the members of the Conference Sunday School Committee.*

VI. TRACT ENTERPRISE.

1.—Conference Society.

President—The President of the Conference.

Vice Presidents—Rev. W. H. BROCKWAY, A. M. FITCH, F. B. BANGS, GEO. BRADLEY, O. WHITMORE.

Corresponding Secretary—T. C. GARDNER, *Recording Secretary*—D. BURNS. *Treasurer*—J. A. BAUGHMAN.

2.—Report of Conference Committee.

The Committee to whom was referred the Tract cause, have gathered the following facts from Report of agent:

Collected during the year, $1,062.91; Agent received in said time,	$1,396.37
Disbursed by Agent,	1,953.75
Indebtedness of Society,	$557.38
The account of the Society stands as follows:	
To Carlton & Phillips, Dr.,	$844.67
To Agent, "	162.70
By Books and Cash on hand, at Raymond & Cook's, in Detroit, Cr.,	415.00
By available subscription, Cr.	35.00
Balance unprovided for,	$557.37

During the year, thirteen Colporteurs have been employed, to the aggregate amount of nine hundred and sixty-six days, at an expense of $836.66. Three hundred and eighty-six thousand pages of Tracts have been distributed, at a cost of $203.37. Three thousand nine hundred and fourteen families have been visited by Colporteurs; seven Sunday Schools organized in destitute neighborhoods; and over sixty conversions are reported as the result of their labors. About $200 worth of the Society's books have been sold on commission by Colporteurs and Preachers, the former having sold a little less than one third, for which $150 has been realized.

It appears from the foregoing, that during the first year of the enterprise much has been done for which we should rejoice. We regret the unavoidable indebtedness of the Society, but feel assured the Conference will adopt some measure to meet the demand and relieve the Agent.

Your Committee are of the opinion that the employment of a special Agent at present is inexpedient, and that the cause can be more successfully prosecuted by other means. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That the Tract movement is an independent Christian enterprise which demands our utmost exertions to promote its interests.

Resolved, 2. That it is the duty of each Pastor to raise a collection in his charge to aid the Society and supply the Church with Tracts.

Resolved, 3. That a Committee of three be appointed to take the Tract cause into consideration and report to the next Conference the best plan for the distribution of Books and Tracts within our bounds.

W. H. Collins, T. C. Gardner and Geo. Bradley were appointed the Committee ordered in the foregoing resolution.

The Conference assumed the indebtedness of the Tract Society, and ordered that a collection be taken in each charge, as soon as practicable, for its liquidation.

VII. DIVISION OF CONFERENCE.

1.—Report of Committee on Division.

The Committee on Conference Division ask leave to make the following Report, viz:

Whereas, the territory now occupied by this Conference is too extensive, requiring in many instances long and expensive journeys on the part of many of our ministers, to attend Conference.

And Whereas, the Conference is now so large as to make two Conferences of respectable size. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That the Michigan Conference respectfully ask the next General Conference to divide said Conference into two.

Resolved, 2. That the division line be the principal Meridian of the State;

that the Upper Peninsular be attached to the Eastern Division, and that the Indian Missions in the Lower Peninsular be attached to the Western Division.

Resolved, 3. That the Western Division be called the Michigan Conference, and the Eastern Division the Detroit Conference.

Resolved, 4. That we mutually pledge our patronage to the Wesleyan Seminary, &c., at Albion.

Resolved, 5. That a Committee of three be appointed to apply to the next Legislature for such an alteration of the Charter as will give to each Conference equal authority in the election of Trustees of said institution.

E. H. PILCHER, W. H. BROCKWAY, and W. H. COLLINS were appointed the Committee ordered in the fifth resolution.

2.—Superannuated Preachers.

Resolved, That should the Michigan Conference be divided by the next General conference, the superannuated preachers, and widows of those who have died in the work, be also divided, according to the number of effective preachers in each division.

VIII. PARSONAGES.

Report of the Committee on Parsonages.

There are in the Conference one hundred and forty-seven charges, with ninety-two Parsonages, valued at $53,730; twelve of which have been built during the past year. Fifty-five are still needed.

It is a serious embarrassment to a preacher when entering upon a field of labor, to find no house provided for the accommodation of his family. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That it is the duty of each charge to see that a commodious house with heavy furniture is provided for the use of the Pastor.

Resolved, 2. That we will use our influence to induce the people to build and furnish Parsonages on all our charges now destitute.

IX. STATISTICAL TABLES.

1. General Statistics.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	IN SOCIETY.			CHURCH PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.								AMOUNTS RAISED FOR				
	Membs.	Prob.	L. Prs.	Chs.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	Membs. Died.	S. Sch'ls	Officers & Tchrs.	No. of Sch'lars.	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes.	No. in Jr. Cl'ss.	Tl. Ex. of Sch'ls.	S. Sch'l Advcte.	No. Conversions.	Miss'ns.	S. School Union.	Tract Society.	A. Bible Society.	Fifth Collect'n.
DETROIT DISTRICT—																						
Woodward Avenue	189	22	1	1	25,000			5	1	30	16	500	1	100	85,00	62	7	160.18	25.00	212,50	77,06	28,00
Congress Street	148	50	4	1	12,000	1	6,000	4	1	23	180	242	1	50	86.00	42	15	145,71	5,83	55,34	10,64	21,12
Lafayette Street	62	7	4	1	4,500	1	1,600	6	1	20	109	250	2	22	10,00	16	2	8,00		11,25		
French Mission	14	9		1	5,000	1	1,000		1	14	160	50		50	5.00	14		3,90	1,01		3,75	2,20
City Mission	54	9		1	600			2	4	21	90	600			25,00	29				28,78		
Trenton	77	67	1	1	1,500	1	560	1	2	20	80	250	1	20	25,00	41	15	82,10		32,15	60,00	3,50
Flat Rock	160	10	1	1	1,500	1	500	4	6	40	213	1300	2		40,00	35		22,00	5,00	30,00	6,00	
Farmington	205		3	3	5.000	1	600		3				1					21.88	22,86			
Commerce	71	6	2	1				1	2	18	70	170			7,75	12		62.03				
Pontiac	166			1	1,500			1	1	15	80	150	1	30		30		9,00		30,00	10,00	7,00
Birmingham	209	21	2	3	3,000	1	500	2	4	40	210	945	1	12	50,00	15	2	44,85		24,00	6,00	
Utica	115	4		1	1,500			2	6	37	180	612			23,00	20	6	14,00				
Mt. Clemens	43	1		1	2,000	1	600		1	10	50	130		20	15,00	17	1	3,00				2,39
	1455	206	18	17	62 800	8	11,300	28	33	278	1572	5189	10	304	371,75	333	48	516,65	59,70	424,02	163,45	64,21
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—																						
Ann Arbor—1st. Charge	130	2	8	1	4,000	1	500		1	18	120	134	2	14		22		57,00		27,64	20,00	6,00
" " 2d, "	80	2	1	1	500				2	18	120	250	1		5,00	31				9,00		
Ypsilanti	212	9	1	1	5,000	1	2,000	1	1	15	186	250	1	5	40,00	14	2				1,00	6,24
Oakville	174	41	3	3	3,000	1	200		4	25	157	847	1	2	12,60	42	6	53,12				4,05
Belville	85	12		2	1,500			2	2	22	65	310		18	12,00	40		14.21				14,25
Wayne	110	30	2	2	1,500			3	7	37	195	725	5	15	15,00	25	45	30,50		13,85		3,80
Plymouth	178	30		3	4,000	1	175	4	3	26	315	410	2	10	10,00		1	26.37		6,00		
Northville	42	5	2	1	1,500			1	1	7	30	260			5,88	22	2	15,18	3,15		6,00	
South Lyons	140	20	1	2	2,500	1	800	1	3	26	120	500	3		7,50	24	20	57,65				
Milford	148	15	2	1	1,200			3	3	24	82	400	2			17		22,65		4.34		13,66
Hartland	166	171	3					3	7	78	275	312	2	7	2,00				8,00			
Brighton	112	5	1	1	1,000	1	300	2	4	30	150	450			15,00	14		11,17			9,00	
Howell	82	5	2	1	1,700	1	300		1	6	25	34	1									

Pinckney	89	9	2	1	3,000				2	12	46	300			15,50	10		5,47				
Williamsville	210	47	3	1	1,000			4	2	21	75	375				6		25 21				
Mason	185	65	3	1	1,700	1	175	1	4	40	160	750	4		5,00	60	2	31,00				
Dexter	101	2	2	1	2,000	1	800	2	2	18	75	300	1	8			1	11,00				
Saline	143	8	5	1	1,200	1	1,000	1	2	20	80	300	1									
Chelsea	91	7		2	1,200			2	5	40	189	500	2		15,00			11,64	10,50			5,08
	2.78	485	42	26	37,500	10	63,40	30	56	483	2459	7467	28	79	162,48	327	79	375,17	21,65	61,03	36,00	53,08
ADRIAN DISTRICT—																						
Adrian—1st. Charge	197	14		1	4,500	1	1,500	2	1	15	150	300	1	40	30,00		17	52,74		23,84	30,00	16,00
" 2d. "	94	4	2	1	1,000			2	1	16	75	300	1	18	3,18							
Tecumseh	101	10		1	1,000	1	900	2	1	13	76	200	1	12	9,00		4					
Ridgeway	107	46	3	2	2,000			2	4	40	154	635			21,00	27	5	32,12				11,00
Manchester	109	13	1	2	3,000	1	1,000	3	2	12	60	300				20	1	77,26	1,00	1,00	1,00	6,83
Napoleon	80	3	3	1	1,000													3,26				
Liberty	100	6	1			1	40	4	2	19	68	170	1					12,85	1,00	3,40		5,40
Rome	127	5	1	2	1,000	1	200	2	5	50	178	935	2		6,08	45		20,40				10,41
Franklin	112	6	4	1	1,200	1	600	3	3	20	80	457	1	10		21			1,00	1,00		
Morenci	238	35	3	2	1,100	1	2 6		7	69	265	890	1		14,00	5		100,00	11,48			8,21
Palmyra	60	14	1	3	2,500	1	800		4	25	200	600	2	4	22,00	18	30			2,16		
Bedford	78	30	2	2	600	1	500		3	24	110	450		12	22,00	1		9,00				
Monroe	85	7		1	5,000	1	2,000	1	2	21	100	300		30	17,50	25	1			14,00		
Dundee	101	25	2	1	500	1	450	2	4	24	90	250	1		12,00	40		9,03	57			25
Clinton	71	29		1	2,500	1	100	1	4	32	138	548	1		15,00	26	3	22,28	3,82		2,66	2,58
	1660	247	23	20	26,800	12	8,650	24	43	380	1741	6344	12	126	171,76	228	60	349,94	28,87	45,40	53,66	60,68
MARSHALL DISTRICT—																						
Marshall	130	6		1	3,000	1	1,000	4	2	48	220	450	2	38	14,00	36		36,56		14,75		
Albion	170	13	3	1	3,000	1	1,200		1	16	100	250	1	20	27,50	28	2	34,75		18,40	11,00	
Battle Creek	206	42	2	1	1,000	1	1,200	3	2	30	139	350	2		30,00	50	60	61,00		24,15		22,00
Parma	194	51	3	4	3,400	1	525	2	3	20	90	200	2		5,00		13	10,00				
Eaton Rapids	130	9	1	1	1,200				2	19	70	350	2	12								
Charlotte	240	58	2			1	1,000	1	3	24	90	260	1		15,00	20		24,00			50,00	2,71
Bellevue	179	34	3	1	2,000				4	16	50	200	1	6	12,00	3	12	40,15				
Jackson	101	6	1	1	6 000			1	1	22	80	1000			57,14	75		6,25	3,20	16,71		
Grass Lake	140	8	1	2	1,000	1	800	2	1	10	100	600			5,00	24		10,00	50,00		4,29	5,00
Henrietta																						
South Albion	350	25	2	4	4,000	1	500	2	8	50	350	700	2		50,00	30	4	46,00		3,00		
Marengo	102	10	2					2	4	23	100	273	2				2					
Burlington	104	7		2	2,000				4	16	110	350	1									
Galesburgh	200		3	2	3,000	1	800		4	34	160	750			40,00			27,00		7,68		
Hastings	255	39	5	1	400	1	350	5	3	18	70	250	1	10	45,00	1	41	6,75	50	50		
Penfield	107	38	1					2	4	43	112	552	2		20,12	56	60	13,50				
Nottawa Indian Mission	148	10				1	250	4	1	2	36											

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	Membs.	Prob.	L. Prs	Ch's.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	Membs. Died.	S. Sch'ls	Officers & Tchrs.	No. of Sch'lars.	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes.	No. in Inf't Class	T'tl. Fy. of Sch'ls.	S. Sch'l Adv'cte.	No. Conversions.	Miss'ns.	S. School Union.	Tract Society.	A. Bible Society.	Fifth Collect'n.
MARSHALL DISTRICT—																					
Middleville	14	43	1						3	8	42	197			5,87	50					
	2770	399	30	21	30,000	10	8,525	28	50	399	1910	6732	19	86	326,63	383	194	315,96	53,70	85,09	65,29	29,71
COLDWATER DISTRICT—																					
Coldwater	146	54	2	1	3,000	1	800	1	1	23	140	525	1	25	75,00	45	26	300,00	16,00	44,25	40,00	11,00
Gilead	79	21							4	38	110	465	2	8	21,00							
Union City	171	10	2	1	1,000			3	5	40	133	524	3	20	10,00	20		4,00	2,50			
Centreville	383	52	8	4	2 500	1	750	8	12	156	600	2200	7	45	58,50	70	20	59,35	12,15	11,68	12,00	16,33
Constantine	88	43		2	1,500	1	450		2	17	75	300	1	5	16,18	20	2	7,17			6,23	
White Pigeon	40		1	2	2,500				1	12	69	200	1				6					
Sturgis	104	4	2	1	1,000			2	1	13	75	150	2		12,37	10		25,34	2,20			5,39
Girard	166		2	1	300	1	250															
Quincy	341	85	5	3	4,000			4	3	35	126	369			20,00		5	3,00				
Litchfield	139	9	1	1	600	1	500	1	3	20	65	300		18				13,27			5,00	5,26
Jonesville	112	12	1	3	5,000				2	20	75	200			8,00			14,45		3 47		2,20
Hillsdale	50			1	1,800	1	800		1											5,55		
Hudson	183	22	1	2	3,700	1	900	1	3	51	225	678	1	10	44,70		5	2,25		3,74	19,00	1,00
Addison	167	19	1	1	600			1	2	20	80	390		10	10,00							
Osseo	183	119	4			1	200		8	92	295	700	1	50	57,00			16,00				
	2352	450	30	23	28,100	8	4,650	21	48	547	1979	7001	19	191	330,75	165	64	444,83	32,85	68,69	75,23	41,18
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—																						
Kalamazoo	134	24		1	2,000	1	1,500	4	1	11	63	300	1	20	20,00	30	4	50,00		20,00	15,00	5,05
Cooper	99	6	1						5	21	106	490	1		6,00	6	3					50
Otsego	131	30	4	1	2,500	1	800	2	2	25	56	400	1	14	46,00	36				13,53	14,00	
Allegan	83	14	2	1	2,000				1	9	66	128	2	11	11,29	20		25,00	5,35	30,00		
Ganges	50	10							6	41	130	963	4	52								
Schoolcraft	60	5	1	2	2,000			1	1	4	22	150			8,00			6,66		2,82		
Ostemo	157	13	3					4	1	8	45	130										
Paw Paw	84	7	1	1	2,500			3	1	8	50	650	1		12,50	27		54,70		16,23	12,50	
Niles	140	39		1	1,000	1	400		1	16	119	575	1	36	15,83	31	23	23,66	6,79	20,06	11,83	8,00
Dowagiac	265	45	6	2	1,500			6	7	84	300	1000	7		37,50	30	8	100,00				12,00
Edwardsburgh	240		1	1	1,500	1	450		3	33	115	700										
New Buffalo	38	10							2	20	55	490	2	4	5,70	26					3,00	
St. Joseph	163	40	3			1	350		7	55	179	787	2	24	22,81	31						
Black River	69		1						4	18	106	230	1									

Buchanan	215	20	3	3	2,500	1	400	3														
	1928	263	26	13	17,500	6	900	2	42	353	1412	5993	23	161	185,63	237	38	260 02	12.14	82,64	56,33	25,55
GRAND RIVER DISTRICT—																						
Grand Rapids	242	32	3	2	2,500	1	2,000	7	4	40	250	700		15	40,00		1					
Paris	127	30	2					2	2	22	52	315	2		3,00	10		4,84	14,00 1,06		11,60	8,60
Talmadge	75	24		1	900	1	300		2	8	63	150	1		18,00	21		51,50				8,15
Sparta	86	11	1			1	150	2	4	20	70	300	1		10,00			9,39				
Muskegan	35	20	1					1	6	27	103	668	2		31,15	52	5	4,25	11,43	6,75	9,60	3,21
Flat River	168	45	1	1	800	1	400	7	4	25	117	390			30,00	42		38.37	50	50		15,00
Boston	63	24						1	2	12	40	300	1			12		6 58				
Laphamville	67	5						2	3	12	60	250	1					24 75		6,00		
Greenville	107	32	2	1	1,600			3	4	35	184	550	2	6	19,90	52	16				12 69	2,75
Ionia	132	16	1	1	600			1	5	45	155	825			17,00	71	2	23,00	13,00	5,00	15,00	5,00
Portland	224	31	4			1	400		3	34	100	406			18,00	30		10,26				8,95
Matherton	103	12	4					1	3	33	85	288	1		10,50		10				25,50	
Lansing	122	34	1	1		1	600		3	35	270	600			115,00	62	6	37.40		33,85		
De Witt	153	42	1			1	800	1	5	54	120	465	1	26	7,00	10	10	17,75				
Dog Plain	173	37	4			1	150	1	6	49	270	536	2	21	48,22	26	62	13,63				
Williamston	100	28							4	30	124	382	3		20,00	40		5,00	1,00			
Grand River Ind. Mis	57	15		1	600	1	50	2	3	4	62	70										
	2030	416	25	8	7,500	9	4,250	31	62	475	2095	7195	17	68	387,77	428	112	246,71	40,99	52,10	74,39	5166
FLINT DISTRICT—																						
Flint	183	20	6	1	3,000	1	700	1	1	21	130	250	1	25	70,00	40	10	50 00	1,00	40,00	30,00	
Flushing	108	20	1	1	1,500	1	500	3	3	28	100	200			10.00		12	19,63				
Grand Blanc	170	18	4	2	2,600	1	280	1	4	32	120	550	4		15,00	30	1	20,00			3,63	
Corunna	132	24	5					2										7,15		2,34		
Bennington	131	48	5			1	300	1	3	20	71	400	1		8,19	31	3					
Byron	164	62	1					3	4	34	140	425					4					7,56
Fentonville	154	25	1	1	2,000				5	37	145	310			20.00	20	1	3,00				2,25
Clarkston	153	26	4	2	1,800			10	6	60	224	595	1		20,00	13	4	34,56	3,50	14.20		3,15
Hadley	137	20	1	2	3 0.0	1	6 0		3	20	150	300	1	10	11,00	34		32,09			7, 0	3,41
Lapeer	65	3	1	2	2,400	1	800	3	2	20	80	300	1	20	25,00	100						10,00
Marathon	56	6				1	300		2	14	64	200	1			3						
Tuscola	90	5	1			1	300															
East Saginaw	4	7		2	2,500	1	400	2	1	10	100	400			28 69					20 06	8,63	
Lower Saginaw	11	1		1	1,500				1	4	25	180			10.00					7 34		
Genesee	161	61	2	1	1,000	1	500	4	4	45	140	700	2		50.00	63	5	13,75		8,72	2,00	2,15
Kazie Indian Mission	172	33	3	1	500	1	350	3	2	9	100	80			7,00							
Janesville " "	228	4	2	5	1,800	4	900	3	1													
	2155	593	37	21	21 00	24	5,930	39	42	364	1589	5690	19	55	275,85	334	40	178,18	4,50	92,66	24,26	28,55

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ROMEO DISTRICT—																						
Romeo	153	8		1	4,500	1	1,000	2	1	16	116	570	1	20	5,50	50		58 31	5,68	10 00		7,00
Almont	13			1	700	1	400	1	3	25	120	600	2	13	18 00	38		3 40	1,00	5,61		
Dryden	72	1	1					1	3	23	100	250				10		2,00				
Armada	81	12	3			1	500	2	6	73	350	945	3		40,19	50	2	8 75				
Memphis	32		1						1	7	35	50			7,88			3,00				
Gratiot	61	20	1					1	3	26	90											
Lexington	121	15	1	1	3,300	1	300	4	4	25	200	400	4	25	50,00	20	3	9,00				
Clyde	45	11	2						5	28	137	400					33	30,00				
Port Huron	77	1	2	1					1													
St Clair	48	5	2	1	1 200	1	700		1	11	70	450	2	11	15,00		6	3,09		19,50		
Newport	90	7	1	1	1,500			2	3	31	265	5 00		71	36,00	50		5,0		6,45	10,00	1,00
New Haven	138	26				1	300	1	4	50	170	370	2	11	6,25	15	20	14 50				
Washington	143	6	1	2	2,500	1	400	1	3	52	161	36			13,50	45		28 66		5,13		10,00
Oxford	217	22	3	1	2 000	1	600	3	6	53	156	555	2	6	14,16	36	30	90,00		5,09		14,82
Forestville	10	27	1																			
	1432	161	17	9	15,700	8	4,200	18	41	422	1900	3933	19	160	206,48	504	94	290,22	6,68	50,99	10,00	32,82
LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—					400																	
Sault Ste Marie	90	15		1	600	1	1,200	2	1	6	35	150	1	10	20,00		4	4,50	1,00	1,00	1,00	1,00
Kewawenon	62	6		1		1	300		1	3	25	10										
Ontonagon	12	1																				
Eagle River and Harbor	26	3	3					2	1	10	75	200		30	16,00		3					
Minnesota Mines	15	3	1						1	5	24	50			10,00	20						
Marquette								1	1	5	30	100	1	6								
Portage Lake	5								1	6	30	150			10,00	20						
Trap Rock	10		1	1	800																	
	230	28	5	3	1,800	3	1,850	4	7	37	219	650	2	46	56,00	40	7	4,50	1,00	1,00	1,00	1,00

2.—Statistics of Ministerial Support.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTERAGE		EXPENSES.		HOUSE RENT.	
		Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms.	Rec't.	Cl'ms,	Rec'ts.
DETROIT DISTRICT.	W. H Collins,						
Woodward Avenue,	A D Wilbor,	264 00	264 0	561	561	275	275
Congress street,	M. Hickey,	216 00	216 00	284	284	P	
Lafayette "	W. H. Perrine,	200 00	200 00	275	275	P	
French Mission,	T. Carter,						
City Mission,	J. W. Holt,	232 00	182 00	150	150	45	45
Trenton,	J. F. Davidson,	256 00	256 0	269	269	P	
Flat Rock,	Richard McConnell	200	200 00	160	160	P	
	R Johnson,	100 00	100 00	44	44		
Farmington,	R. Goodale,						
Commerce,	F. Brittan,						
Pontiac,	J. Sommerville,	216 00	186 00	190	190		
Birmingham,	I W. Donelson,	216 00	216 0	196	196	P	
Utica,	S. P. Barker,	232 00	160 00	143	75	55	55
Mount Clemens,	E. House,						
	A. M. Fitch,	256 00	256 0	344	344	300	300
	J. A. Baughman,	200 00		300		200	
		2588 00	2236 00	2916	2548	875	675
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.	W. E. Bigelow.						
Ann Arbor—1st Charge,	I. C. Gardner,	288 00	288 00	312	312	P	
" " 2d "	E. W. Borden,						
Ypsilanti,	F A. Blades,	240 00	240 00	260	260	P	
Oakville,	Charles Johnson,	100 00	43 28	100	100	P	
	C. W. Seaman,	200 00	74 80	175	175	P	
Belville,	E. Westlake,	232 00	232 00	207	207	65	65
Wayne,	C. Mosher,	272 00	168 73	180	180	48	38 03
Plymouth,	Wm. Fox,	216 00	186 0	184	184	P	
Northville,	Wm. Taylor,	2 0 00	147 00	156	97 61	78	50
South Lyons,	E. R. Hascall,	224 00	224 00	288	288	P	
Milford,	Wm Benson,	20 00	200 00	170	179	61	61
Brighton,	Wm. M. Heavner,	224 00	224 00	175	175	65	65
Howell,	O. D. W White,	240 00	240 0	130	130	P	
Pinckney,	B. H. Hodger,	272 00	272 00	128	128	65	52
Williamsville,	E. B. Prindle,	216 00	150 00	120	65	45	45
Mason	Thomas Lyon,	200 00	165 0	178	139 58	P	
	E. H. Brockway,	100 00	00 00	87	27		
Dexter,	R. Bird,	200 00	200 00	200	200	P	
Saline,	J. Jennings,	224 00	192 50	236	202	P	
Chelsea,	E. Steele,	210 0	240 00	156	150	57	57
	E. O. Haven,	232 00	232 00				
		4552 00	819 40	3416	3186 19	471	433 03
ADRIAN DISTRICT.	E. H. Pilcher,	264 00	264 00	256	230	P	
Adrian—1st Charge,	A. J. Eldred,	232 00	232 00	268	268	P	
" 2d "							
Tecumseh,	W P. Judd,	248 00	248 00	202	202	P	
Ridgeway,	S. P. Warner,	280 00	226 50	138	134	40	23 50
Manchester,	J. E. McAlister,	216 00	216 00	184	184	P	
Napoleon,							
Liberty,	T. H. Camburn,	200 00	174 21	88	58 25	P	
Rome,							
Franklin,	D. B Tracy,	200 00	200 00	148	100	P	
Morenci,	F. W. Warren,	242 00	242 00	148	148	P	
	E. Finch.						
Palmyra,	T. B. Granger,	232 00	232 00	130	130	P	
Bedford,	J. Dobbins,	200 00	150 00	70	70	P	
Monroe,	S. Reed,	248 00	248 00	152	152	P	
Dundee,	Supply,	200 00	150 00	80	60	P	
Clinton,	S. S. Littlefield,	200 00	200 00				
	J. V. Watson,	272 0	272 00	1128	1128	400	400
		3314 00	2994 38	2994	2866 25	440	423 50
MARSHALL DISTRICT.	George Brad'ey,						
Marshall,	A. Steele,	248 00	248 00	262	262	50	50
Albion,	Wm. Mahon,	240 00	240 00	243	243	P	
Battle Creek,	R. C. Crawford;	200 00	200 00	200	200	P	
Parma,	M. B. Camburn,	200 00	200 00	150	150	50	50
Eaton Rapids,	B. P. Chase,						
Charlotte,	G. W. Hoag,	240 00	240 00	183	183	P	

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CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTERAGE.		EXPENSES.		HOUSE RENT.	
		Clms.	Rec'ts.	Clm's.	Rec'ts.	Clm's.	Rec'ts
Bellevue,	E. H. Day,	240	240	185	185	39	39
Jackson,	J. S. Smart,	232	232	178	178	90	90
Grass Lake,	H Law,						
Henrietta,	H. Harris,						
South Albion,	F. Gage,	200	200	160	160	P	
Marengo,	N. L. Brockway,	100 00	100	135	100		
Burlington,	L. E. Smith,						
Galesburgh,	I. C. Abbott,						
Hastings,							
Nottawa Indian Mission,	D. Thomas	248	248			65	65
	J. Elliott,	200	200	50	50		
	W. H. Brockway,	248	248	352	352		
	N. Abbott,	232	232	268	268		
	C. C. Olds,	232	232	168	168	100	100
		3060	3060	2989	2989	394	394
COLDWATER DISTRICT.	J. K. Gillett,	232	232	205	205	75	75
Coldwater,	F. B. Bangs,	264	264	186	186	P	
Gilead,	S. B. Finch,	100	90	80	45		
Union City,	N. Fassett,	216	141	155	100	45	45
Centerville,	V. G. Boynton,	232	220	200	175	P	
Constantine,	H. Hall.	232	232	215	215	P	
White Pigeon,	L. Taylor,	200	200	155	155	52	52
Sturgis,	E. Crane,	224	224	134	134		
Girard,	N. Mount,						
Quincy,	I. S. Finch,	232	192	170	147	11 66	11 66
Litchfield,	W. Mothersill,	250	250	150	150	P	
Jonesville,	E. Holdstock,	216	165	150	150	60	60
Hillsdale,	F. W. May,						
Hudson,	H. Morgan,	240	240	255	200	P	
Addison,	E. O. Chambers,						
Osseo,	John Clubine,	100	100	50	50	P	
		2738	2480	2105	1912	243 66	243 66
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.	T. H. Jacokes,	232	232	178	178	40	40
Kalamazoo,	David Burns,	216	216	253	253	P	
Cooper,	Wm. Stafford,	248	100	189	50	40	22
Otsego,	W. F. Jenkins,	248	109 78	202	202	P	
Allegan,	J. H. Pitezel,	216	216	114	114	30	30
Ganges,	J. T. Robe,	248	111 78	220	97 78	30	14
Schoolcraft,	F. Glass,						
Ostemo,	T. Williams,	224	200	150	150	25	
Paw Paw,	W. C. Comfort,	256	173 25	189	189	55	16 50
Niles,	J. B ynton,	216	216	162	162	P	
Dowagiac,	J. W. Robinson,	200	200	172	172	24	24
Edwardsburg,	S. A. Osborn,						
New Buffalo,	A. Beach,	216	156 49	1 0	70		
St. Joseph,	T. H. Bignell,	248	190	137	137	P	
Black River,	---Henrickson,	60	50	40	37		
Buchanan,	R. Pengelly,	216	216	184	184	P	
		3044	2387 3	2270	1975 78	234	146 50
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.	H. Penfield,	256	256	244	244	80	80
Grand Rapids,	R. Sapp,	240	240	250	250	P	
Paris,	L. N. Thoras,	200	14	130	65	20	20
Talmadge,	A R Bartlett,	200	200	110	110	P	
Muskegon,	L. M. Bennett,	100	100	1 0	110		
Sparta,	T. J. Congdon,	232	186	90	70		
Flat River,	---Bennett,	240	2 0	210	210	P	
	Sharpy,	100	100	50	22		
Boston,	Wm. McKnight,	224	200	90	57 33	30	30
Laphamville,	W. W. Johnson,	240	240	100	100		
Greenville,	A. Wakefield,	200	200	159	159	50	50
Ionia,	George Bignell,	256	256	192	192	60	60
Portland,	A. L. Crittenden,	304	304	185	185	P	
	George Palmer,	100	100	50	50		
Matherton,	A. Sutton,	200	150	80	40	20	10

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CHARGES.	NAMES.	QUARTERAGE.		EXPENSES.		HOUSE RENT.	
		Cl'ms.	Rec'ts	Cl'm's.	Rec'ts.	Cl'ms.	Rec'ts.
Lansing.	P. S. Donelson,	200	200	159	59	P	
Dewitt,	A. A. Dunton,	216	216	125	125	P	
Du Plains,	S. N. House,	262	220	100	80	P	
Williamston,	J. S. Harder,	216	200	84	75		
Grand River Ind. Mission,	E. D. Young, H. Jackson,	264	264	111	11	P	
		4250	40 12	2629	2274 33	260	260
FLINT DISTRICT.	George Smith,	256	256	265	265	85	85
Flint,	J. M. Arnold,	216	216	220	220	P	
Flushing,	S. Calkins,	200	200	130	130	P	
Grand Blanc,	J. W. Cawthorn,	216	216	150	100	P	
Corunna,	J. Levington,	248	83	278	278		
	L. Mitchel,	100	73 68	100	73 68		
Bennington,	J. J. Whitmore,						
Byron,	R. C. Crane,	216	118 95	111	111	P	
	H. C. Hutchins,	216	216	117	117	15	15
Fentonville,	T. J. Joslin,	214	75	140	140	50	50
Clarkston,	S. Bessy,	264	176	181	120	60	40
Hadley,	G. N. Belknap,	248	230	100	80	P	
Lapeer,	O. Whitmore,	216	216	195	195	P	
Marathon,							
Tuscola,							
East Saginaw,	S. Clements, Jr.						
Lower Saginaw.	L. Cogshall,	240	240	110	110	50	50
Kazier Indian Mission,	P. Marksman,	243 75	150	93 75	93 75	P	
Janesville Indian Mission,	P. O. Johnson,						
Genesee,	T. Wakelin,	224	176 14	150	150		
		3317 75	2645 77	2340 75	2188 43	260	240
ROMEO DISTRICT.	J. Blanchard,	240	240	205	165	70	70
Romeo,	G. Taylor,	248	248	189	189	P	
Almont,	J. S. Sutton,	200	200	145	145	P	
Dryden,	J. G. Whitcomb,						
Armada,	J. O. Bancroft,	232	232	168	168	P	
Memphis,	S. P. Lee,	216	216	169	140	35	35
Gratiot,	H. O. Parker,	216	181	145	119		
Lexington,	A. C. Shaw,	264	264	246	246	P	
Clyde,	Wm McKibbee,	200	148 46	75	52 90		
Port Huron,	D. C. Jacokes,	200	200	270	270	60	60
St. Clair,	W. G. Stonez,	232	232	165	165	54	54
Newport,	D. D. Gillett,						
New Haven,	O. Sanborn,	200	200	140	140	P	
Washington,	John Russell,	240	240	160	160	P	
Oxford,	T. Seeley,	232	232	120	120	P	
	John Gray,	232	232	120	120		
Forestville,	J. B. Varnum,	100	100	80	80		
		3252	3165 46	2397	2279 90	219	219
LAKE SUPERIOR DIST.	James Shaw,	248	225	233	176	49	
Saut St. Marie,	L. D. Price.	232	232	250	250	P	
Kewawenon,	R. Dubois,	232	232	150	150	P	
Ontonagon,	J. H. Burnham,						
Eagle River and Harbor,	S. C. Stringham, C. W. Murray,						
Minnesota Mines,	D. A. Curtis,	232	232	235	235		
Marquette,	H. N. Brown,						
Portage Lake,	L. W. Earl,	216	200	198	40		
Trap Rock,	B. F. Pritchard,	248	100	230	230		
		1408	1221	1296	1081	49	49

NAMES.	Claims	NAMES.	Claims	NAMES.	Claims.
A. Billings,	200	J. E. Parker,	200	Mrs. Fox,	100
R. Triggs,	200	Andrew Bell,	248	Mrs. Brakeman,	124
Wm. Todd,	200	S. C. Woodward,	216	Mrs. Ruack,	100
Benjamin Sabin,	200	Mrs. Staples.	148	Mrs. Ercanbrack,	100
B. F. Doughty,	216	Mrs. King.	100	Mrs. Roberts.	22 62
					2354 62

RECAPITULATION.

CHARGES.	QUARTERAGE.		EXPENSES.		HOUSE RENT.	
	Claims	Receipts	Claims	Receipts	Claims.	Receipts.
Detroit District	2588 00	2236 00	2916 00	2548 00	875 00	675 00
Ann Arbor "	4352 00	5819 40	3486 00	3186 19	471 00	433 00
Adrian "	3244 00	2994 38	2994 00	2868 25	440 00	423 00
Marshall "	3060 00	3060 00	2989 00	2989 00	394 00	394 00
Coldwater "	2738 00	2480 00	2105 00	1912 00	243 66	243 66
Kalamazoo "	3044 00	2387 30	2270 00	1975 78	232 00	146 50
Grand Rapids District	4250 00	4012 00	2629 00	2274 33	260 00	260 00
Flint "	3017 75	2645 77	2340 75	2188 43	260 00	240 00
Romeo "	3252 00	3165 46	2397 00	2259 90	219 00	219 00
Lake Superior "	1408 00	1221 00	1296 00	1081 00	49 00	49 00
Total Claims,	31253 75	28019 31	25252 75	22302 88	3445 66	3083 16
Total Receipts	28059 00					
Deficiency,	3234 44					

X. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

1.—Officers of Society.

President.—I. BENNETT, *Vice President.*—F. A. BLADES,
Treasurer.—WM. MAHON, *Secretary.*—J. S. SMART.

MANAGERS.

J. H. Pitezel, R. Bird, A. D. Wilbor, Wm. Taylor, S. S. Littlefield.

2.—Missionary Appropriations.

TO DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

MARSHALL DIST.—Middleville, $50.

COLDWATER DIST.—Hillsdale, $60.

KALAMAZOO DIST.—Ganges, $75.

GRAND RAPIDS DIST.—P. E., 50; Newaygo, 50—$100.

FLINT DIST.—P. E., 50; Marathon, 25; Tuscola, 35; East Saginaw, 100; Lower Saginaw, 100; Saginaw City, 100; Midland 50—$460.

ROMEO DIST.—P. E., 40; Port Sanilac, 100; Lakeport, 75; Gratiot, 50; Memphis, 50—$315.

LAKE SUPERIOR DIST.—P. E., 150; Ontonagon, 350; Eagle River, 50; Portage Lake, 100; Marquette, 100—$750.

Total to Domestic Missions, $1,800.

TO FRENCH MISSION.

DETROIT DIST.—P. E., 25; Missionary, 500—$525.

TO INDIAN MISSIONS.

INDIAN MISSION DIST.——P. E., 600; Nottawac, Missionary's salary, 400; Assistant & Interpreter's salary, 300; School at Nottawac, 150 incidentals, 40.—Grand River, Missionary's salary, 400; Interpreter's salary, 300; School at Meshemuckaking, 100; School at Greenville, 60; School at Battle Point, 60; Incidentals for Schools, 30.—Kazier, Missionary's salary, 400; Interpreter's, 250; School at Kazier, 300; School at Bradley Chapel, 300.—Janesville, Missionary's salary, 550; Assistant's salary, 350; Expenses for removing, 50; School at Janesville, 300; School at Pesahgening, 250; Hamline School, 250; Kechassening School, 250; Incidentals for Schools, 50—$5,740.

LAKE SUPERIOR DIST.—P. E. and Missionary's salary at Saut Ste Marie, 450 Teacher's salary, 250; Interpreter's salary, 230.—Kewawenon, Missionary's salary, 350; Teacher's salary, 200; Interpreter's salary, 75; Incidentals for Schools, etc., 100—$1,725.

Total for Indian Missions, $7,465.

3.—Treasurers' Report.

The Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society in account with Wm. Mahon:

CR. BY AMOUNTS RECEIVED.

DETROIT DISTRICT.

DETROIT—1st Charge—By A. D. Wilbor, 160.18. 2d Charge—M. Hickey, Annual Collection, 22.60; Sabbath School, 14.35; collected by Mrs. Jessop, 14.75; Miss Booth, 10.72; W. C. Sabine, 2.51; Miss E. Casterton, 14.26; Mrs. Kendell, 2.18; Miss Pardington, 4.25; Miss M. Miller, 15.13; Mrs. Maskill, 12.81; Goods from Female Missionary Society, applied on Grand River Indian Mission, 32.23.—$145.79. One hundred and ten dollars of the above to constitute the following persons Life Members of the Conference Missionary Society: Mrs. Margaret Jessop, Miss Mary Booth, Mr. W. C. Sabine, Miss Esther Casterton, Mrs. Mary Kendell, Miss Kate Pardington, Miss Mary Miller, Mrs. Mary Maskill. Mr. E. W. Jones, Mr. James N. M. M'Clure, Miss A. M. Hickley. 3d Charge—By W. H. Perine, $8.00. French Mission—By T. Carter, $3.90. TRENTON.—By J. F. Davidson, 1st Class, 4.75; 2d Class, including $20 from Capt. Edwards, 20.50; 3d Class, including $40 from Mrs. Helen M. Davis, 49.75; 4th Class, 5.25.—$81.25. The following persons to be constituted Life Members of the Parent Society: Mrs. Charlotte Jaquith, Mrs. Caroline Jaquith, Mr. Arthur Edwards, Jun., Mrs. J. Simmons. FLAT ROCK—By R. McConnell, $22.00. FARMINGTON—By R. Goodell, to make Mrs. A. W. Goodell a Life Member of the Parent Society, $21.86. COMMERCE—F. Brittan, 22.03; applied 40.00.—$62.03. PONTIAC—J. Sommerville, $9. BIRMINGHAM—I. W. Donaldson, $44.88. UTICA—S. P. Barker, $14.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.

ANN ARBOR—1st Charge—T. C. Gardner (applied) $57. 2d Charge—E. W. Borden, $2. YPSILANTI—F. A. Blades, cash 38.00; Goods from Female Benevolent Society of M. E. Church, Ypsilanti, 62.74; Mrs. F. A. Blades, Life Mem-

ber of Parent Society, 53.00.—$153.84. Belleville—E. Westlake, from Belleville, 10.73; Huron 3.63; to make Mrs. M, E. Westlake Life Member of Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society.—14.36. Wayne—C. Mosher, collected by Miss Frances Every, 2.60; Miss Hannah Clark, 3.70; Miss Ann Smith, 10.00; Miss Mary Perkins, 5.00; Mr. James Adams, 7.47; Miss Ella Allen, 1.73.—$30.50. Plymouth—Wm. Fox, to make Miss Helen M. Frazer and Mrs. Melissa Hitchcock Life Members of the Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society, $26.37. Northville—Wm. Taylor, $15.18. South Lyons—E. R. Hascall, $57.65. Milford—W. Benson, $22 64. Brighton—W. M. Heavener, $11.17. Pinckney—B. H. Hedger, $5.47. Williamsville—E. B. Prindle, $25.21. Mason—Thomas Lyon, $31,00. Saline—J. Jennings, $17.00. Chelsea—E. Steele, $11.44,

ADRIAN DISTRICT.

Adrian—1st Charge—A. J. Eldred, $52.74. Ridgeway—S. P. Warner, $32.12. Manchester—J. E. McAllister, collections, 56.26; applied on German Mission, Lansing, 1.00, and Five Point Mission, 20.00; to make Miss Emma Bessac Life Member of Parent Society, and Mrs. C. E. McAllister and Miss Josephine Young, Members of the Michigan Conference Missionary Society, $77.26. Napoleon—$3.26. Liberty—J. H. Camburn, $21.85. Rome—Wm. Donnelly, collected by Mrs. Stoddard, 8.00; and public collection, 12.40. Wm. Donnelly to be made Life Member of Parent Society, $20.40. Morenci—F. W. Warren, to make Elizabeth Evans, Jane Haskell, Alexina M. Latham, Louisa J. Greely, and Jane A. Packard, Life Members of Parent Society, $100.00. Palmyra—T. B. Granger, $1.00. Bedford—J. Dobbins, $9.00. Monroe—S. Reed, $5.80. Dundee—Cash, 8.66; Goods, 37 cts.—$9.03. Franklin—D. B. Tracy, Box Goods, $70,00. Clinton—S. S. Littlefield, $22.28.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Marshall—S. Steele, to make John B. Vernor Life Member of Parent Society, and Mrs. Bethune Humphrey Life Member of Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society, $36.56. Albion—Wm. Mahon, public collection, 28.25; from Young Ladies' Miss'y. Association, 6.50, to China Mission, $34.75. Battle Creek—R. C. Crawford, to make Mrs. Mary Spencer Life Member of Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society, $61.00. Parma—M. B. Camburn, to make Miss Charity A. Cowan Life Member of the Conference Missionary Society, $10.00. Charlotte—G. W. Hoag, $24.00. Bellevue—E. H. Day, to make Miss Maria F. Wilson, Miss Emeline A. Balls, Miss Julia A Carey, and Miss Maria T. Alton Life Members of the Michigan Conference Missionary Society, $40.15. Jackson—J. S. Smart, $6.25. Grass Lake—H. Law, $10.00. South Albion—F. Gage, Cash 24.20, and Goods, $22.00.—46.20. Galesburgh—I. C. Abbott, $27.00. Hastings—N. L. Brockway, $6.75. Penfield—(Applied,) $13.50.

COLDWATER DISTRICT.

Coldwater—F. B. Bangs, Station, 220.00; Juvenile Missionary Society, Cash 37.00, and box of Goods, 43.00, to constitute the following Life Members of the Parent Society, Albert Chandler, Mary J. Ketchum, Sophia Cripper,

Clinton B. Fisk, Betsey A. Littlefield, Maria M'Carty, Ann Butterworth, Nancy Shoecraft, Catherine Burdick, Angeline Marsh, Abel Marsh, $300.00. UNION CITY—N. Fassett, Cash 14 00; Goods 20.00.—$34.00. CENTERVILLE—V. G. Boynton, $59.35. CONSTANTINE—H. Hall, (applied,) $7.17. WHITE PIGEON—I. Taylor, $2.00. STURGIS—E. Crane, Cash 20.34: applied $5.00—$25.34. QUINCY—I. S. Finch, $3.00. LITCHFIELD—W, Mothersill, $13,27. JONESVILLE—E. Holdstock, $14.45. HUDSON—H. Morgan, $2.25. ADDISON—E. C. Chambers, $9.20. OSSEO—B. N. Sheldon and J. Clubine, $16.00,

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

KALAMAZOO—D. Burns, Cash 26.00, and 24.00 in Goods, to make Mrs. L. H. Burns Life Member of Parent Society, $50.09. ALLEGAN—J. H. Pitezel, $25.00. SCHOOLCRAFT—F. Glass, 6.52. PAW PAW—W. C. Comfort, Cash, 21.70; in Goods, 33.00.—$54.70. NILES—J. Boynton, $23.66. DOWAGIAC—J. W. Robinson, from Summerville, 23.00; Peavine, 5.00; Indian Lake, 18.00; Dowagiac, 11.60; Wayne, 11.60; Cassapolis, 7.06; Brooklyn, 3.34; North Wayne, 13.10; Decatur, 4.20. All the above to be applied on the Indian Mission of the Michigan Conference.—$100.00. EDWARDSBURGH—S. A. Osborn, applied, $70.00. BUCHANAN—R. Pengelly, Cash 40.20; applied on Lansing German Mission, 17.80.—$58.00.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.

GRAND RAPIDS—R. Sapp, collected by Mary L. Beers, 3.50; Rachel Westlake, 2.50; Sophia Mills, 7.43; Elizabeth Brooks, 1.75; M. P. Sapp, 13.75; Sophia De Long, 12.25; Sundries, 75 cts.; appropriated to Battle Point Mission School, 10.00; to make L. R. Atwater, G. S. Dean, Moses De Long, and E. D. Mills Life Members of the Michigan Conference Missionary Society.—$41.18. PARIS—I. N. Thoms, 4.84. TALMADGE—A. R. Bartlett, appropriated, $51.50. SPARTA—T. J. Congdon, applied on Battle Point Mission School, $9.39. MUSKEGON—A. Gore, $4.25. FLAT RIVER—I. Bennett, collected by J. W. Fallas, for California, 1,00; Indian Missions, 1.00, and Foreign Missions, 1.00; by Mrs. R. Merical, 4.37; Mrs. Bailey, 6.56; Sunday Collections on Circuit, 24.44.—$38.37. BOSTON—Wm. McKnight, $6,58. LAPHAMVILLE—W. W. Johnson, Cash 23.75; Goods 1.00.—$24.75. IONIA—G. Bignell, Cash 1.00; applied on Grand River Indian Mission, 22.00.—$23.00. PORTLAND—A. L. Crittendon, Cash 25 cts,; applied on Grand River Indian Mission, 11.00.—$11.25. LANSING—P. S. Donelson, $37.00. DE WITT—A. A. Dunton, collected by Mrs. Harriet Reed, 12.00; Mrs. A. Swarthout, 5.00, to make Mrs. H. Reed Life Member ef Michigan Conference Missionary Society.—17.00. DU PLAINS—S. N. House, 13.62. WILLIAMSTON—J. S. Harder, 5.00.

FLINT DISTRICT.

FLINT—J. M. Arnold, 50.00. FLUSHING—S. Calkins, 19.62. GRAND BLANC—J. W. Cawthorn, to make Mrs. Lydia Torry Life member of Parent Society, 20.00. CORUNNA—J. Levington, 7.15. CLARKSTON—S. Bessy, 34.56. HADLEY—G. N. Belknap, 32.09. LAPEER—O. Whitmore, 7.25. GENESEE—T. Wakelin, 13.75; J. Boynton, 5.00.—18.75. FENTONVILLE—T. J. Joslin, 3.00.

ROMEO DISTRICT.

ROMEO—G. Taylor, collected by Miss Mary Starkweather, 4.31; Harriet Smith and Lydia A. Insman, 12.50; Harriet E. Throop and Rosetta Nye, 21.50; Irene M. Smith and Sarah A. Smith, 10.00; remitted to Parent Society, 10.00. The above to constitute Misses H. Smith, H. E. Throop, Rosetta Nye, and Sarah A. Smith Life Members of the Michigan Conference Missionary Society.—58.31. ALMONT—J. S. Sutton, Cash 22.00; Goods to Kazier Mission, 16.00.—38.00. DRYDEN—J. G. Whitcomb, 2.00. ARMADA—J. O. Bancroft, 8.75. MEMPHIS—S. P. Lee, 2.25. GRATIOT—H. O. Parker, 10.00. LEXINGTON—A. C. Shaw, to make Miss Josephine Shaw, Miss Alice Shaw, and Miss Mary Street Life Members of Michigan Conference Missionary Society, 30.00. ST. CLAIR—W. G. Stonex, 2.50. NEWPORT—D. D. Gillett, 5.00. NEW HAVEN—O. Sanborn, 14.50. WASHINGTON—J. Russell, 28 66. OXFORD—T. Seeley, 90.00.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT.

SAUT STE. MARIE—L. D. Price, 4.50.

Recapitulation.

DETROIT DISTRICT—Cash,	$500 63	
Money and Goods applied,	70 40	
		$571 03
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—Cash,	361 19	
Money and Goods applied and on hand,	119 64	
		480 83
ADRIAN DISTRICT—Cash,	324 37	
Money and Goods applied and on hand,	91 37	
		415 74
MARSHALL DISTRICT—Cash,	253 66	
Money and Goods applied and on hand.	62 30	
		315 96
COLDWATER DISTRICT—Cash,	410 86	
Money and Goods applied and on hand,	75 17	
		486 03
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—Cash	243 23	
Money and Goods applied and on hand,	144 65	
		387 88
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—Cash,	182 86	
Money and Goods applied and on hand,	104 87	
		287 73
FLINT DISTRICT—Cash,	192 42	
Money and Goods applied and on hand,		
		192 42
ROMEO DISTRICT—Cash,	263 97	
Money and Goods applied and on hand,	26 00	
		289 97
LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—Cash,		4 50

AGGREGATE CREDIT—		
By Cash from Stations and Circuits, - -	$2737 69	
Money and Goods on hand and applied, or remitted to New York, - - - - - -	694 40	
Notes in Treasury, - - - - - -	31 00	
Balance in Treasury from last year, - - -	43 10	
Surplus appropriation returned by R. Sapp, from Marshall District, - - - -	33 00	
Annual subscription of Members, - - -	64 00	
Anniversary collection at Conference, - -	14 45	
		$3617 64
AGGREGATE DEBT—		
To amount paid Carlton & Phillips, - - - -	2802 23	
Money and Goods applied and on hand, - -	694 40	
Notes in Treasury, - - - - - - -	31 00	
Paid for publishing Minutes, - - -	40 00	
Cash in Treasury, - - - - - - -	50 09	
		3617 64

WILLIAM MAHON, Treasurer.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS.

1.—Resolutions on the Bible Cause.

The Committee on Bible cause would present the following as their Report:

Resolved, 1. That we have undiminished confidence in the American Bible Society, as an effective instrument of circulating the Holy Scriptures, and especially of supplying the destitute with the word of life:

Resolved, 2. That we hear with unfeigned regret of the decrease in the receipts of the Society's funds for the past year, of near *fifty thousand dollars.*

Resolved, 3. That we will always give our aid and support to the Agent of the Society whenever he shall visit our bounds, and take collections when he does not, and make all reasonable effort as ministers and pastors to secure the constant and hearty co-operation and support of our friends to the cause.

Resolved, 4. That we will attend, as far as is at all practicable, the meetings of the Society for the counties or neighborhoods where we may reside, and aid in giving them public as well as private influence.

2.—Report on Education.

As the religion of Christ embraces all that is essential to the most perfect development of manhood, it is plainly impossible to divorce from it what is commonly called the cause of Education. The grand requisite to the harmonious growth of man is the regeneration of the soul through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and an obedience to the moral requirements of the Gospel. This

obedience implies not only the worship of God, and the performance of strictly religious duty, but a due attention to the laws of physical life, and certainly a proper cultivation and exercise of the intellect.

So evident is this, that Christianity ever has been not merely the attendant and assistant, but the great originator and supporter of Education. Seminaries of every grade, from the Primary School to the University, have sprung up under its influence, in every nation where its power has been established.

In our own land, that enterprise which has planted common schools in every neighborhood, and founded so many seminaries and colleges, is directly attributable to the Bible; and unless our great national educational systems, moulding as they do the character of millions of human beings for time and eternity, and indeed controlling the destiny of the most rapidly growing and most powerful nation of the earth, be instinct with the pure spirit of Christianity, these systems themselves must either crumble to pieces before an indignant public or prove an intolerable curse. Professed Christians, constituting as we believe they do, a large majority of our nation, and certainly holding a vast preponderance of its moral power, must not and will not consent to have our schools for the young, nurseries of impiety, nor left destitute of a pure religious element. Let our teachers everywhere know that the eyes of Christians are upon them, and that while they labor for the true welfare of the young, they have the sympathies and prayers of all good men.

Notwithstanding the provisions made by the State for education, different denominations of Christians have deemed it proper to establish schools wholly under their own control—some of a purely literary and scientific, and others of a partly theological character. In this great enterprise, the Methodist Episcopal Church is second to none. Witness our incorporated Seminaries and our Colleges. We have also two "Biblical Institutes," or institutions designed exclusively for those who have been called to the ministry, and by the Church recommended to this work. Nor has our zeal in this cause diminished. The past year has probably witnessed as many such enterprises begun, and as much effort made for the improvement of those already existing, as any previous year.

The Michigan Conference has not been behind hand in this work. The Institution at Albion, founded in the days of comparative feebleness, when the onerous duties of a pioneer ministry in a thickly settled territory pressed upon the Conference, and carefully nursed to the present time, is proof of this fact. Already from this Institution thousands of young men and women have gone forth better qualified for the multiplied duties of American Christians, many of whom found there, not only a discipline of the mind, but an experimental knowledge of the religion of Christ. Some of these children of this Alma Mater are now ministers of the Gospel in this and other States.

This noble, and for our State, time-honored institution, must not be allowed to fall. Neither the ministry nor the membership will suffer this disgrace.

We recommend that the Bishop be requested to appoint brothers Norman Abbott and C. C. Olds as Professors in this Institution, they having been re-elected to that office by the Trustees.

By a Financial Report from the Trustees of the North-Western University, established at Evanston, Illinois, we learn that the total net property of that

University is now $289,312. That this endowment may be increased to half a million of dollars, and that speedily, is our earnest wish. We hope that soon this Conference may be able to adopt some means to endow a professorship in that Institution.

It is certainly not improper here to allude to our great loss in the sudden death of our beloved brother, Dr. C. T. Hinman, the indefatigable President of that Institution. Untimely was his death to the eye of man. The flush of youth had scarcely left his cheek; the vigor of a remarkably active manhood was his but a few days before his death. But in his own dying language, "His work was done," and we doubt not his Master will say "well done!" His life was not inactive, and thousands who have received the impress of his vigorous mind and warm heart, rise up and call him blessed.

We strongly approve of the establishment of the Garrett Biblical Institute, which was incorporated by the Illinois Legislature last winter, and is now in operation at Evanston. It is an established Methodist usage to welcome ministers to our ranks, called of God, from whatever place or occupation they may come. Qualified they must be, and it is for them to choose where and how they will seek their qualifications; and if this institution has been created without demand, it will fail; but if there is a demand for it, as we believe, then it will be sustained, and may the blessing of God rest upon it.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we cherish an unabated interest in the general cause of physical, mental, and moral Education, and as Christian ministers, rejoice in that one of the fruits of the Bible, the noble system of public education in the State of Michigan, and will improve every proper opportunity to promote its successful workings, while we insist that the Bible should be read, and its principles made the basis of moral instruction in all our schools.

Resolved, That the literary and religious prosperity of the Wesleyan Seminary and Female Collegiate Institute, at Albion during the past year, is full of encouragement, and that this Institution, from its history and its nature, now deserves, and we trust ever will have, the undivided support of the entire M. E. Church in the State of Michigan.

Resolved, That the degree of success which has already attended the noble enterprise of the founders of the North Western University, increases our admiration, as well for their financial skill as for their genuine Christian liberality, and we cheerfully assume our responsibility as one of the Conferences patronizing that University.

Resolved, That we rejoice in the success which has attended the Garrett Biblical Institute thus far, and trust that it may be the means of great good to many of the young men called of God to the ministry.

Resolved, That we recommend the appointment of the following Committees: A board of Visitors, to consist of fourteen, for the Albion Institute; a board of Visitors of three for the North Western University, and one of two members for the Garrett Biblical Institute.

Trustees of North Western University.—T. C. Gardner was appointed for the full term of four years; F. B. Bangs was appointed to fill the vacancy

occasioned by the death of Dr. Hinman, and F. A. Blades was appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of E. H. Pilcher.

Visiting Committees.—To Garrett Biblical Institute:—J. A. Baughman, D. Burns; to North Western University:—W. H. Collins, E. O. Haven.

3.—Action on Wesleyan Seminary and Female Collegiate Institute.

Report of the Trustees of the Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, to the Michigan Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, A. D., 1855.

The Trustees of the Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, respectfully present to your Reverend Body the folllowing as their accustomed Annual Report:

With gratitude we acknowledge the kind Providence that has been over us another year, securing to the Institution committed to our trust its wonted success in promoting the moral and intellectual condition of the Youths of our country, favored with the advantages of its tuition.

The Board of Instruction has prosecuted its duties with commendable zeal and faithfulness, though not entirely free from embarrassment. The election of Hon. Ira Mayhew to the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction in this State in November last, deprived us of the services of our President. The difficulty of procuring suitable materials for the construction of our new building, with other causes, so delayed its completion as to deprive us of any substantial benefit from its use during the year. These causes, viz. the unsettled state of the Board of Instruction, and our scantiness of room, have been serious, indeed we may say insuperable difficulties in the way of the highest success. Yet the manner in which these difficulties have been met, reflect the highest credit upon the heads and hearts of the devoted men and women who have with so much success struggled against them. They deserve the thanks of your honored body, as they do most unequivocally have those of this Board of Trustees.

There have been 399 pupils in attendance upon instruction in the College and Seminary during the year—214 ladies and 185 gentlemen. At the College Commencement, in July, 11 young ladies were graduated Mistress of Science and the Arts. They evinced in their examination and public addresses, a high order of natural and acquired ability, at the same time reflecting great honor upon the competency and faithfulness of their instructors.

We have been favored with a very gracious revival of religion in the Institution during the past year, as the fruits of which a large number of promising young persons have become experimental Christians, as we humbly trust, and great spiritual improvement secured to those who had previously become partakers of the grace of life. Knowing that "Except the LORD build the house, they labor in vain that build it," these evidences that God is still with us, constitute unfailing sources of encouragement in all our difficulties.

We are happy to announce that the new building is completed and ready for use. We are also sanguine in the hope that but a very brief period of time will elapse ere we are favored with the services of a Presiding Officer in the Board

of Instruction, invested with your authority. With these advantages over the past year, we look forward to the future with expectations of success equaling the most palmy of the past.

Financially, our affairs have undergone no material change since our last Conference Report. We are sorry to say they have not changed for the better as much as we could have desired; yet we are not without hope.

To give the Conference an outline of our financial condition, we present the following exhibit and estimate of our property, and statement of our financial transactions for the year.

PROPERTY.—1st. Grounds consisting of the open Square in front of the Seminary and College buildings—Square occupied by the buildings, and park in rear; College and Seminary buildings, barn and out-houses, furniture and fixtures, estimated altogether at	$30,000 00
2d. The President's House,	2,000 00
3d. Village lots in Albion,	2,000 00
Total,	$34,000 00
4th. Positive Notes of all kinds, mostly scholarship Notes,	$56,901 89
5th. Conditional Notes taken on the first $40,000 proposition,	18,000 00
Total,	$74,901 89
6th. Subscription for completing the third College Building, about	2,000 00

The positive notes we have recently examined and classed as follows.

1st. Notes known to be good, mostly secured by mortgage,	$15,763 00
2d. Notes reported good by the Agents, when taken, and nothing known to the contrary,	24,035 29

The conditional Notes being to a large extent worthless, it has been estimated that no more than $4,000 can be realized from the $18.000. This sum may then be added to that of the reported good, making 28,035 29

3d. Notes of which we know nothing, and reported doubtful,	15,341 56
4th. Notes known to be bad,	1,762 00

Recapitulated thus:

1st. Good,	$15,763 00
2d. Reportee good,	28,035 29
3d. Doubtful,	15,341 56
4th. Bad,	1,762 00
Total,	$60,901 85

Of this sum we believe it is practicable to save by prompt and efficient effort at least two-thirds of the whole, viz: $40,000.

According to these estimates, our entire property, consisting of real estate, personal property, notes and subscriptions at cash value is $76,000.

But to realize the amount indicated from the Scholarship Notes, very prompt and efficient means must be adopted. No time should be lost. None of these evidences of debt are likely to improve much by age; they are far more likely to deteriorate and become worthless, some by limitation of statute, others by removal from the country, failure in business, or death.

It is to us a source of regret and mortification that a portion of those against whom we hold notes entertain very lax notions in regard to their moral obligations to meet them as they fall due. Even professedly good men are found among these—some complaining that they were over-persuaded to give these notes, others that they did not fully understand the conditions, and others still seem to entertain the idea that as the Institution is under the patronage of the Church, conducted mostly by the aid of the Ministers, and they having taken scholarships to help forward a benevolent enterprise, it is now optional with them to pay or not pay, according as it is convenient or otherwise. But as a large number of persons have already paid their notes, they hold us bound to provide the stipulated tuition whenever demanded. The moneys thus far paid into our hands have been so entirely expended in the payment of debts, agencies, erection and repair of buildings, as stipulated by the endowment plan, we have no other means of meeting these demands, but the scholarship notes, many of which are now long past due. It is therefore our most solemn conviction that the time has fully come when the reputation of the Conference as well as the Board of Trustees, and the very existence of our Institution, demand that all our dues should be collected with the least possible delay, and if there be no other alternative, painful though it may be, the aid of the discipline of the Church and the law of the land should be evoked at once to accomplish it.

This proposes a work of such magnitude, difficulty, and delicacy; a work in which the honor and interest of the Conference is so intimately blended with our own, that we most respectfully ask that your body share with us its labor and responsibility by exerting your utmost influence in your associated and individual capacity as Ministers, to impress upon the minds of those indebted to us, their moral and legal obligation to pay us as any other creditors, or as though they had received a full equivalent for their money in any other species of property, than a transferable claim to free tuition in the solid branches of instruction in one of the best institutions in the country, as long as the world stands.

We have already intimated that we have not as yet been able to invest any money as a permanent Endowment Fund. About ten thousand dollars have been secured by mortgage on real estate; the balance of our credits are simple promissory notes, drawing interest at ten per cent. Some of them are made payable at remote periods, but a large share are now due wholly or in part. Of the interest due, only a part has been collected. From September 15th, 1854, to August 15th, 1855, the sum of nine hundred eighty-four dollars and sixty-one cents only, is credited upon our book under this head; there being on notes known and reported good, probably now due.

It is to be regretted that means were not adopted and maintained from the commencement of our present endowment enterprise to exhibit upon our books a perfect business history of every scholarship issued by our corporation, and of the notes received therefor. But this was not done, and it is now too late to remedy this error. It is therefore impossible at present to determine the exact number of endorsed scholarships now extant against us, or the precise amount received for them. But from the most reliable sources of information now available, it is estimated that scholarships of the then different denomina-

tions, viz.: $25, $50, and $100 have been issued to the aggregate amount of about $120,000

The cost of Agencies, traveling and resident, for obtaining this amount has been about twelve per cent. of the whole, or	12,400
Paid old indebtedness, over	8,000
Erected new buildings, at cost of	17,000
Purchase of President's house,	2,000
Making in all thus disposed of,	$39,400
Add to this sum the amount of the conditional notes counted worthless,	14,000
Abouut two hundred scholarships have been canceled by the Agent, and the notes given up at a discount of from 95 to 25 per cent. As these were mostly $100 scholarships, it is probable the discount amounted to one-half of the sum of the notes, say	9,000
Making in all that has been disposed of in these different ways, the sum of	62,400
Add to this amount of scholarship notes we have given above, as in our possession,	60,901.85
And we have the sum of	$123,301.85

The absence of exact data in several particulars from which we are compelled to make our calculations, will sufficiently explain the discrepancy between this sum and the $120,000 for which we supposed scholarships had been sold.

The Boarding Hall has been without expense to the Institution during the year past, though it has been the source of no considerable income.

The expenses for instruction during the past year have very considerably exceeded the income of the Institution for this purpose, yet the labors of our instructors have been as great, and their salaries as low as in any other similar institution in the country.

The following we trust will be regarded as a sufficiently detailed statement of the Teachers' account:

Paid Salary of President Mayhew,	$200 00
" " Professor Abbott,	566 66
" " " Olds,	500 00
" " " Clark,	500 00
" " Preceptress Thompson,	400 00
" " Teacher, Miss Sabine,	175 00
" " Teacher, Miss Norris,	125 00
Total,	$2,466 66
Income to meet expense of teaching—interest on Scholarship Notes from Sept. 15th, 1854, to August 15th, 1855,	984 61
Tuition,	121 37
Tuition for Drawing,	106 75
" " Music,	98 66
Total income from all sources,	$1,311 39
Deficiency of income for teaching expenses,	1,155 27

Aside from the claims against us for Tuition and Scholarships, we are free from debt.

With respect to the question of further aid in order to permanently endow the Institution, we express our opinion that with the blessing of Providence upon our combined and earnest efforts to collect our dues and conduct our financial affairs with discretion, "The Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary at Albion," will be able to maintain its solvency. Yet if our Institution rises to that importance and power we have fondly hoped, as a means of improving the youths of our church and country, it must have further material aid. But until we have made a more definite settlement of what we already have in our possession, we deem it unadvisable to agitate that question.

It is hardly necessary to repeat that the President's chair is now vacant in consequence of the resignation of Hon. Ira Mayhew, and that it is expected you will take measures to fill it with as little delay as possible.

We also add that the term of office for which Samuel Clements, S. O. Knapp, M. B. Camburn, and C. M. Cobb, were elected as Trustees, expires with the present Conference year.

We have re-elected Rev. N. Abbott and Rev. C. C. Olds, members of your body, as Professors for the coming year, and respectfully ask their re appointment to fill those places.

We have also elected Rev. Geo. Bradley as our Agent for the coming year, and desire that he may be appointed to this work.

With the hope that there are better days coming, we most respectfully submit the above.

Done by order and in behalf of the Trustees of the Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, August 29th, A. D. 1855.

W. H. COLLINS, President.

ANSWERS TO CONFERENCE INTERROGATORIES.—The Board of Trustees of the Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, beg leave most respectfully to present the following, in compliance with your imperative requirement, conveyed to us upon the thirty-third page of the Conference Minutes of last year, without circumlocution or evasion:

Answer to question 1st.—No.		$1,155 27
" " "	2d.—No.	
" " "	3d.—Nothing.	
" " "	4 h.	1,762 09
" " "	5th.	15,241 56
" " "	6th.	49,663 04

in notes, buildings, lands, furniture, and fixtures.

" " " 7th.—There will; the precise amount we cannot tell.

Done by order, and in behalf of the Board of Trustees, at Albion, August 29th, 1855.

W. H. COLLINS, President.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE CONFERENCE SEMINARY.—The character and prosperity of the Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, is very intimately connected with the cause of Education and Methodism in Michigan. It should have the sympathies, prayers and influences of the Conference. The financial affairs may be considered in a critical position, and de-

mand immediate effort to place it upon a permanent basis. The number of scholarships sold is sufficient to supply the Institution with pupils, and as yet we have no fund invested upon which we can rely to support the Board of Instructors. The notes due the concern should be collected as soon as possible, and funded or so arranged as to secure the interest for this purpose. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That in the opinion of this Conference, the prosperity if not the permanency of the Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary requires that we elect a President of high literary qualifications and reputation as an instructor.

Resolved, 2. That we request the Trustees to pay a salary sufficient to support such a man.

Resolved, 3. That the financial interests of the Institution demand the services of an efficient business man as Agent, to collect the notes and accounts due the Institution, and so fund the monies as if possible to secure means to pay for instruction.

Visiting Committee.—A. D. Wilbor, A. J. Eldred, F. B. Bangs, S. W. Walker, John O. Blanchard, James Turner, D. F. Quinby, Dr. C. F. Ashley.

Election of Trustees.—The Conference elected George Hannah, Daniel Peabody, Clinton B. Fisk and Erastus O. Haven, Trustees of the Institution for the full term of four years.

Election of Principal.—Conference elected Prof. A. S. Hunt, Principal of the Seminary, and President of the Female Collegiate Institute.

George Bradley was appointed Agent of the Institution.

4—Resolutions on Slavery.

Resolved, 1. That the present progressive condition of the Anti-Slavery sentiment in the Church and Country, gives promise of a better future to the cause of Freedom and right.

Resolved, 2. We are in favor of a new General Rule in our Discipline, to read as follows, viz:—"The buying, selling, or holding a human being as a Slave."

Resolved, 3. Until this can be obtained, we are in favor of the amendment of the seventh chapter, so as to more fully protect and secure the rights of the Slave, and to place the holder under every control and restraint possible, while he remains in the Church. And that they use their efforts to secure an expression from the General Conference, defining the meaning of the General Rule on Slavery, by inserting a foot Note in the following words or similiar, viz: It is the sense of the General Conference that this applies to Domestic Slavery, and that the buying or selling any human being for any other purpose than emancipation, constitutes a violation of the Rule in the meaning of its framers

Resolved, 4. We hereby instruct the delegates who may be elected to represent this body in the next General Conference, to do all they can to bring about these changes in the Discipline.

Resolved, 5. We fully believe that it is the duty of Christian men to vote right upon this subject, as well as to pray right; and in view of the enormity of the National legislation embraced in the Fugitive Slave Act, and the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, we feel it incumbent on every Christian man

to exert all possible influence against the extension of Slavery, by civil legislation.

R. SAPP, Chn. of Committe.

5—Report on Temperance.

The woeful flood of intemperance has long rushed furiously over the face of our beloved country, bearing away thousands of the brightest ornaments of Society.

The fall of many from positions of eminence in both Church and State, directly attributable to the traffic in, and use of intoxicating drinks, has filled our hearts with sadness, and the Church with mourning.

We as a body of ministers have long been praying and laboring for brighter and better days; and by the success of the temperance enterprise in our own State, have already been more than amply rewarded for all our toil.

Yet, in view of the present position and aspect of the temperance cause, your committee is led to the conclusion that the interests involved, and the fearful responsibility accumulating upon us, demands not only continued, but increased exertions.

Time was when Christians regarded intemperance in the light of a moral evil merely, and having treated it as such, deemed themselves free from all further responsibility in the case. But their sentiments are changed.

The matter has now assumed a political aspect, and nearly one hundred thousand of the citizens of our State have, with united voice, prayed our honorable legislature, to enact a law for the entire suppression of the traffic in intoxicating drinks, as the only means whereby the great evil could be removed.

The prayer was granted with the proviso, that the law was to be submitted to the people for ratification, whereupon a majority of over twenty thousand was obtained in its favor. And when that law became in-operative through udicial decisions, the people elected another legislature, which as the direct will of their constituents gave us another law by which we can constitutionally and effectually suppress and abolish the traffic.

The triumphs of our present law are glorious and complete wherever the public officers attempt to enforce it. No court of Justice has yet decided against it, although many have been prosecuted and fined, and some imprisoned for its violation.

Dealers are manifestly conscious of its constitutionality, and dare not risk an appeal to the Supreme Court of the State.

Yet, with all these encouragements to success, it is most lamentable, that a culpable apathy prevails, even among its warmest advocates. The evil is spreading, the traffic is increasing, and in bold defiance of the law, men are selling and drinking with impunity. And unless those to whom these great interests are committed, exercise that power with which we are invested, to compel the officers of Justice to arouse from their crouching position to the advocates of the traffic, and enforce the law, the statute will die upon our hands. Then the reign of this woeful train of ruin will triumph, and the last hope of the poor inebriate, and of his suffering and degraded family, is lost; lost, we fear, for the present generation at least.

And upon whom will this resposibility rest? Not upon the legislature whose hands are washed from guilt. Nor yet upon the manufacturer, we fear, ut upon the professed friends and advocates of temperance.

How fearful then becomes this responsibility to us, as a body of ministers, and as individual citizens, if we do not exert our utmost endeavors to secure a rigid enforcement of the law.

Your committee therefore recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we believe in the absolute necessity of a prohibitory law, for the suppression of the traffic in intoxicating liquors, as the grand remedy for the great evil of intemperance.

Resolved, 2. That we have confidence in the constitutionality of our present prohibitory law, and in its adaptation to the necessities of our State.

Resolved, 3. That we acknowledge our responsibility, together with that of all the friends of temperance, and that it is our bounden duty to increase our vigilance, and to urge our people to unite their efforts for the enforcement of our present Liquor Law.

G. TAYLOR,
ISAAC BENNETT,
E. D. YOUNG,
} Committee.

6—Report on Bethel Cause.

The Committee to whom was referred the *Bethel* cause, have had the same under consideration, and would respectfully present the following, as their report:

We, and the whole Church have cause of devout thanksgiving to God, for that comparatively new feature of evangelical effort which aims at the Mental and Moral elevation of that large and heretofore neglected class of persons composed of Boatmen and their families, and also aims at the conversion of the multitudes of the sea to Christ. We, as christians of the North-West, have especial cause of thanksgiving for the benefits conferred on many of those engaged in our inland Commerce, by the Western Seamen's Friend Society. The *area* of this Society extends from the New York State line on the East, to the Mississippi on the West; from St. Louis on the South, to Lake Superior on the North, including eight regular Stations, ten Missions, six Chapels, and three other places of public worship. Several precious Revivals have attended the labors of the Society Agents the past year. But your Committee are sorry to be compelled to report *retrenchment* in the Society's operations, when there is great need of enlargement until the flag of the Bethel Ship or Church shall wave in every part of our inland seas, and the christian Colporteur shall greet the Boatmen with the Bible, and religious books, and carry religious instruction to the families of all those engaged in navigating the rivers of the land. We may not neglect these isolated ones; nor suffer their families to say in the day of their destruction, "though we lived in a christian land, no man cared for *our* souls." For these also the Savior died, and to these he has commanded his Gospel to be preached with the rest of mankind. Though usually spurned, they are as susceptible of christian kindness as other persons, and the *Sailor* when thoroughly evangelized, by the nature of his calling is an itinerant Missionary to bear the name of Jesus before the nations. In view of the foregoing facts, we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we respectfully request the Bishop to appoint Rev. A. M. Fitch, Financial Secretary of the Western Seamen's Friend Society.

Resolved, 2. That our sympathies shall accompany him in his labors, and our earnest prayers ascend to God, for the success of the Bethel cause.

Resolved. 3. That we will welcome him to so many of our charges as he may be able to visit the coming year, and aid him in making collections for this cause. All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. C. COMFORT,
A. C. SHAW,
I. COGSHALL } Committee.

7—Report on the Condition of the Colored People.

The Committee to whom was referred the application of the Agent of the Cass County Manual Labor School, or Seminary for Colored People, beg leave to Report—

That they learn that there is now a settlement of Colored People in Cass County, in this State, numbering some six hundred people; that they are the owners of from six to ten thousand acres of land, that they are making encouraging progress in maturing the advantages of civilized life; that they have projected for themselves an Institution of Learning, upon the Manual Labor System, in which it is contemplated to impart not only the elements of a sound education in Letter and Sciences, but also in agriculture and the arts. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That it affords us pleasure to witness attempts among the Colored People of the North to improve their own condition, and through the instrumentality of Schools and other agencies secure a higher, material, intellectual and religious culture.

Resolved, 2. That the Agent coming among us, properly accredited, so that we shall know that the funds collected will be safely, and beneficially applied, shall receive our encouragement. All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. SAPP,
E. CRANE,
D. THOMAS, } Committee.

8—Report on Quarterly Review.

The Committee to whom was referred a communication from Dr. McClintock, upon the Methodist Quarterly Review, would respectfully report,

The sentiments expressed in that communication commend themselves to our serious attention and we believe meet with general approval. Established many years since, by the influence of some of the most enterprising and worthy of our fathers in the Church, the Quarterly Review has not only been a great honor to the whole denomination, but what is far more important, has been a very valuable source of information, and a vehicle of sound instruction. We deprecate the idea that it should degenerate into a mere popular magazine or in any way lower its high standard of scholarship. Satisfied with its character under its present editor, we would only recommend that he be encouraged to persevere in his present manner of conducting the Review, and make it approach as nearly as possible to his own high standard.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That we regard the Methodist Quarterly Review as a great honor, and of great intrinsic value to the Church, and are entirely satisfied with the ability of its present editor to render it a Review of the highest order, and heartily commend it to our brethren in the ministry, and to all others friendly to refined literature, and sound philosophy imbued with the spirit of true Christianity.

E. O. HAVEN,
D. C. JACOKES,
F. A. BLADES,
} Committee.

9—North Western Christian Advocate.

Resolved, That we cordially endorse the official course of the North Western Advocate, and will heartily commend it to the patronage of our people.

Resolved, That we respectfully request the next General Conference to reappoint Rev. J. V. Watson Editor of the North Western Christian Advocate.

W. E. Bigelow was appointed a member of the publishing committee, of the North Western Christian Advocate.

10—Parkhurst Fund.

Resolved, That the Preacher in Charge of Ypsilanti Station be instructed to collect the Mortgage due on the Parkhurst fund.

Resolved, That a Committee of three consisting of the Presiding Elder of Ann Arbor District, and the Preachers in charge of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti Stations be instructed to loan said money on proper security.

Resolution on the late ABEL PARKHURST.

Resolved, That the Michigan Conference hold in grateful remembrance the name and liberality of ABEL PARKHURST, and tender to his widow their Christian regards and sympathies.

11—Annuities and Gifts.

The Committee appointed to procure an alteration of the charter of the Wesleyan Seminary was instructed to use their influence to obtain a law incorporating some persons appointed by this Conference to receive and hold annuities or gifts to any benevolent Societies connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

12—Progress of Methodism.

E. H. Pilcher was appointed a committee to collect memorials on the progress of Methodism in Michigan, and all brethren having knowledge of facts, etc., relating to the subject, were requested to forward the same to the committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED AT THE LAST CONFERENCE TO GATHER STATISTICS ON THE ORIGIN AND PROGRESS OF METHODISM IN MICHIGAN.

The Committee appointed at your last session on the statistics of the church in the bounds of our Conference, beg leave to report, that they have given such

attention to the question as they have been able, and herewith present you with as accurate a statement of the numbers in Society, beginning with the conversion of Robert Abbott, in 1810, down to and including our present session, as is practicable. The plan adopted, has been to give the names of the charges and the numbers to, and including 1840: for the next ten years they are given by districts, and for the last five, the aggregate only is given. In order to arrive at an estimate of our growth as compared with the growth of the country, we have then given the population in official decades, and what is our proportional membership. This we considered necessary to a correct understanding of our position in the country, for though we might report a considerable annual increase, if that did not keep pace with the population, it would be a decrease in fact.

Statistics of Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the State of Michigan, from its introduction in 1810, *down to and including* 1855.

1810.—Some time in the year 1810, Rev. Wm. Case preached a few times in Detroit. Through these labors, Mr. Robert Abbott was awakened and converted. This was the introduction of Methodism into this peninsula; and as far as now known, it was the introduction of Protestantism.

1811.—In the winter of 1811, Joseph Mitchel, from Ohio, preached for a while in Detroit, and on the River Rouge, and formed a small class on the Rouge, seven miles from Detroit. This class consisted of the following reasons, viz:—William M'Carty, Leader; M. C. M'Carty, Robert Abbott, Betsey Abbott, Wm. Stacy, Betsey Stacy, Sarah M'Comb, and a few others whose names have not come into our possession, amounting to fifteen in all.

Some time in the month of May, 1811, Bro. Mitchel held the first Quarterly Meeting; it was held in the house of a Roman Catholic. He was succeeded by a Bro. Holmes, from Canada, who remained in charge until the spring of 1812. At this time war having been declared with England, the society was broken up and scattered, and remained so till the winter of 1814-15, when the before named seven were found standing fast in the faith, and were re-organized into a society.

From this time on, we find the numbers in Society given in the Minutes, but for several years there is an uncertainty as to the number residing in Michigan, because Detroit Circuit extended into Canada, and after it, Monroe Circuit extended into Ohio. But setting out with the best data we can get, we give the numbers for each year, making in each year a deduction from the numbers as contained in the general minutes, so as to include only those residing in Michigan, as nearly as possible.

We begin with 1814, so as to embrace the *seven* then found:

1814—Detroit Circuit,		7		1822	" "	75	
1815 " "		10		1823	" "	100	
1816 " "		15		1824	" "	150	
1817 " "		15		1825	" "	150	
1818 " "		20		1826—Detroit District.			
1819 " "		20		Detroit City,		70	
1820 " "		20		Detroit Circuit,		200	270
1821 " "		20		1827—Detroit District.			

Detroit,	70	
Detroit Circuit,	126	
Monroe,	100	296
1828—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	65	
Detroit Circuit,	230	
Monroe,	100	395
1829—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	78	
Oakland,	246	
Huron	161	
Monroe,	30	
St. Clair,	49	564
1830—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	64	
Oakland,	234	
Huron,	250	
Monroe,	50	
St. Clair,	95	
St. Joseph,	76	769
1831—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	73	
Oakland,	308	
Ann Arbor,	373	
Monroe,	75	
St. Clair,	74	
St. Joseph,	100	1,003
1832—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	101	
Oakland,	481	
Tecumseh,	330	
Monroe,	80	
Ypsilanti,	424	
St. Joseph,	100	
Kalamazoo,	30	
St. Clair,	76	1,622
1833—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	114	
Mt. Clemens,	402	
Farmington,	200	
Ypsilanti,	486	
Ann Arbor,	248	
Tecumseh,	310	
Monroe,	200	
St. Clair,	77	
Saginaw,	9	
Calhoun,	93	
St. Joseph.	200	
Kalamazoo,	156	2,495
1834—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	121	
Monroe,	220	
Mt. Clemens,	331	
Farmington,	411	
Ypsilanti,	645	
Ann Arbor,	327	
Tecumseh,	343	
St. Clair,	84	
Huron,	108	2,590
Northwest District.		
St. Joseph,	320	
Kalamazoo,	215	535
		3,125
1835—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	131	
Tecumseh,	442	
Ann Arbor,	415	
Farmington,	448	
Mt. Clemens,	357	
Ypsilanti,	645	
Plymouth,	411	
St Clair,	105	
Calhoun,	236	3,190
Laport District.		
St. Joseph,	401	
Cassopolis,	286	
Kalamazoo,	120	807
Maumee District.		
Huron,	184	
Monroe,	200	384
		4,381
1836—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	159	
St. Clair,	130	
Mt. Clemens,	401	
Lapeer,	186	
Farmington,	375	
Plymouth,	476	
Ypsilanti,	272	
Huron,	114	
Saginaw,	10	2,123
Ann Arbor District.		
Ann Arbor,	137	
Tecumseh,	483	
Saline,	428	
Monroe,	200	
Calhoun,	280	
Coldwater,	259	
Grand River	27	1,814
Laport District.		
Cassopolis,	350	
St. Joseph,	401	
Kalamazoo,	132	883
		4,820
1837—Detroit District.		
Detroit,	180	
Ypsilanti.	464	
Plymouth,	450	
Farmington,	358	
Romeo,	352	
Mt. Clemens.	123	
St. Clair,	109	
Lapeer,	215	
Saginaw,	72	
Livingston,	180	2,506
Ann Arbor District.		
Ann Arbor,	120	
Monroe,	780	
Saline,	590	
Tecumseh,	505	
Coldwater,	387	
Calhoun,	164	
Spring Arbor,	168	
Bean Creek,	210	2,324
Laport District.		
Niles,	311	
Kalamazoo,	273	
St. Joseph,	442	1,026
		5,852
1838—Detroit District.		
Detroit.	184	
Ypsilanti,	190	
Dearbornville,	292	
Plymouth,	486	
Farmington,	420	
Romeo,	545	
Mt. Clemens,	159	
St. Clair,	199	
Saut Ste. Marie,	42	2,417
Ann Arbor District.		
Ann Arbor,	181	
Monroe,	112	
Dundee,	212	
Tecumseh,	492	
Saline,	421	
Adrian,	165	

Bean Creek,	527	
Coldwater,	92	
Marshall,	224	
Spring Arbor,	476	2,902
FLINT RIVER DISTRICT.		
Flint River,	149	
Saginaw,	11	
Lapeer,	480	
Livingston,	193	
Dexter,	262	
Shiawassee,	74	
Clinton.	40	
Grand River,	68	1,277
LAPORT DISTRICT.		
Niles,	320	
Kalamazoo,	4 0	
St. Joseph,	226	946
		7,542
1839—DETROIT DISTRICT.		
Detroit,	180	
Pontiac,	202	
Farmington,	307	
Oakland,	275	
Lapeer,	136	
Flint River,	185	
Saginaw,	16	
Romeo,	764	
Mt. Clemens,	242	
Palmer,	78	
Port Huron,	20	2,405
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.		
Ann Arbor,	129	
Ypsilanti,	144	
Plymouth,	5-2	
Northville,	216	
Livingston,	193	
Dexter,	304	
Tecumseh,	500	
Adrian,	175	
Sault Ste. Marie,	65	2,308
MARSHALL DISTRICT.		
Marshall.	386	
Coldwater,	411	
Jonesville,	456	
Spring Arbor,	556	
Ingham,	120	
Clinton,	104	
Shiawassee,	198	
Lyons,	46	
Grand Rapids,	55	2,322
MAUMEE DISTRICT.		
Monroe,	94	
Dearbornville,	343	
Dundee,	342	
Palmyra,	390	1,169
LAPORT DISTRICT.		
Niles,	258	
Berrien,	125	
Kalamazoo and Allegan,	4 0	
St. Joseph,	303	1,091
		9,295
1840—DETROIT DISTRICT.		
Detroit,	241	
Pontiac,	551	
Farmington,	321	
Oakland,	364	
Utica,	193	
Lapeer,	222	
Flint,	232	
Romeo,	551	
Mt. Clemens,	230	
Palmer,	178	2,884
ANN ARBOR DISTRICT.		
Ann Arbor,	120	
Ypsilanti,	155	
Plymouth,	523	
Northville,	1 0	
Livingston,	358	
Shiawassee,	392	
Dexter,	222	
Salem,	627	
Tecumseh,	475	
Adrian,	160	3,162
MARSHALL DISTRICT.		
Marshall,	184	
Battle Creek,	321	
Coldwater,	438	
Jonesville,	466	
Spring Arbor,	439	
Jackson,	330	
Ingham,	195	
Lyons,	237	
Grand Rapids,	151	2,761
MAUMEE DISTRICT.		
Monroe,	130	
Dearbornville,	131	
Dundee,	265	
Palmyra,	416	1,142
MICHIGAN DISTRICT.		
Niles,	250	
Edwardsburg,	100	
White Pigeon,	200	
Centreville,	239	
Kalamazoo,	310	
Berrien,	150	
Paw Paw,	80	
Allegan,	52	
Sault Ste. Marie,	24	
Kewawenon,	43	1,458
		11,523
Last year,		9,295
		2 228

1841—Detroit District,	2,506	
Ann Arbor "	2,272	
Marshall "	2,989	
Monroe "	2,423	
Kalamazoo "	1,693	
Local Preachers,	121	
Col.	14	
Total,	12,017	
Last year,	11,523	
Increase,	494	
1842—Detroit District,	3,051	
Ann Arbor "	2,526	
Marshall "	3,002	
Monroe "	2,816	
Kalamazoo "	2,388	
Local Preachers,	145	
Total,	13 928	
Last year,	12 017	
Increase,	1,911	
1843—Detroit District,	3,553	
Ann Arbor "	2 7 9	
Marshall, "	3,805	
Monroe, "	3,187	
Kalamazoo, "	2,971	
Local Preachers,	141	
Total,	16 366	
Last year,	13,928	
Increase,	2,438	
1844—Detroit District,	2,431	
Ann Arbor "	2,333	
Marshall "	2,974	
Monroe "	3,167	
Kalamazoo "	2,637	
Shiawassee "	2,926	
Local Preachers,	169	
Total,	16,537	
Last year,	16,366	
Increase,	171	
1845—Detroit District,	2,425	
Ann Arbor "	2,408	
Marshall "	2,917	
Monroe, "	3,108	
Kalamazoo, "	2,325	

Shiawassee, "	2,866
Ind. Miss'n "	123
Local Preachers,	192
Total,	16,364
Last year,	16,537
Decrease,	173

1846—Detroit District, 2,359
Ann Arbor " 2 743
Marshall " 3.173
Monroe " 3,030
Kalamazoo " 2,579
Grand Riv. " 2,767
Ind. Miss'n " 123
Local Preachers, 198

Total,	16 9 2
Last year,	16 364
Increase,	598
" over 1844,	425

1847—Detroit District, 2 408
Ann Arbor " 2,550
Marshall " 3.20[illegible]
Monroe, " 3 001
Kalamazoo " 2 484
Grand Riv. " 2,764
Ind Miss'n " 13[illegible]
Local Preachers, 191

Total,	16,735
Last year,	16,9 2
Decrease,	227

1848—Detroit District, 2 557
Ann Arbor " 2,674
Marshall, " 3.121
Monroe, " 3,0 5
Kalamazoo " 2,391
Grand Riv. " 2,955
Ind. Miss'n " 146
Local Preachers, 195

Total,	17 042
Last year,	16,735
Increase,	307

1849—Detroit District, 2 246
Ann Arbor " 2,578
Marshall " 3,148
Monroe " 2,821
Kalamazoo " 2,510
Grand Riv. " 2,779
Ind. Miss'n " 142
German, 100
Local Preachers, 135

Total,	16,518

RECAPITULATION.

Members,	14,420
Probationers,	1,317
Local Preachers,	1[illegible]5
Indians,	596
Total,	16,518
Last year,	17,0 2
Decrease,	524

1850—Members, 14 377
Probationers, 1,912
Indians, 63[illegible]
German, 135
Local Preachers, 1[illegible]2

Total,	17 244
Last year,	16 518
Increase,	726

1851—Members, 14,724
Probationers, 2,09
Indians, 72
German, 172
Local Preachers, 194

Total,	17,914
Last year,	17,244
Increase,	670

1852—Members, 14,765
Probationers, 1,732
Indians, 765
German, 175
Local Preachers, 187

Total,	17 614
Last year,	17,914
Decrease,	300

1853—Members, 15,210
Probationers, 2,[illegible]38
Indians, 769
German, 180
Local Preachers, 216

Total,	18,413
Last year,	17,614
Increase,	799

1854—Members, 16 959
Probationers, 2,241
Local Preachers, 231
German, 190

Total,	19,621
Last year,	18,413
Increase,	1,208

1855—Members, 18,497
Probationers, 3,048
German, [illegible]29
Local Preachers, 253

Total,	22,127
Last year,	19,621
Increase,	2,508

Your Committee find, on examination, that there has been a steady increase in the membership from the beginning, with the exception of the years 1845, 1847, 1849, and 1852; in which years there was a small decrease. What the causes were which produced this decrease, we are not prepared to say, and perhaps it would be of no advantage if we knew. It is gratifying to know that in each year following the decrease, there was an increase which considerably exceeded the decrease of the former. Our church property has advanced from one small log house, erected in 1818, of little value, to the number of 161 meeting-houses, and 92 parsonages, valued at $249,100.

The ministry has advanced in these 45 years from an occasional visit to 173 itinerant and 255 local preachers. In the mean time, the interests of Sabbath Schools, Missions, and education have not been neglected.

The question next to be considered is, how have we kept up with the increase of population in the State? This will be seen in the following facts.

In 1810 the population only numbered 4,762; then we had one member only —that is, *one* in 4,762 of the whole population. In 1820, the population had advanced to 8,896, at which time we had 20 members, or one in 444 of the whole. In 1830, the advance in population had extended to 31,639, and the

membership to 796, or one in 41 nearly, of the whole. In 1840, the population had increased to 212,267, and the membership to 11,523, that is, one member in every 18, nearly. In 1850, the population had swelled to the number of 397,654, and the number of members had only risen to 17,244, or one member for every 23 of the inhabitants, so that from 1840 to 1850, there has been a large comparative decrease. It is to be recollected, however, that during this decade, the increase of population was very largely made up of foreigners, a large proportion of whom are altogether inaccessible to our ministry.

In 1855, from the ratio of increase for the last decade, in the absence of official census, we set down the population at 407,000, an estimate which will not vary much from the truth either way. Our membership, including the itinerant ministers, stands at 22,372, which gives one in every 14 of the population. This is a considerable comparative increase over the last period.

In reviewing the whole field, we find occasion for mingled emotions of regret, of responsibility and of gratitude to God. If we add five for every member, (this being the usual estimate of adherents for the actual membership,) we will be found to be responsible for the religious instruction of 111,960 persons, or one in every 4, nearly, of the inhabitants of our State. It is a matter of regret that our actual membership is no greater; but it is a matter of thanksgiving to God that there is so much of deep and earnest piety and devotion, and that we have reason to believe that this spirit is on the increase among us. We consider an advance in numerical strength, without an advance in spirituality, is real weakness, and not strength. The responsible relation we hold to the people of this peninsula, should stimulate us to renewed and vigorous exertion, in the name of Christ, to secure the complete evangelization of its entire population.

All which is respectfully submitted.

E. H. PILCHER,
A. M. FITCH, } Committee.

XII. MEMOIRS.

1—Rev. Clark T. Hinman, D. D.,

—Died in Troy, N. Y., October 21, 1854, aged 35 years. He was born in Courtwright county, N. Y., August 3, 1819, and distinguished in early life for an intelligence far above his years; but better than this, for his childish devotion to his Sabbath school, and his faithfulness in treasuring up its sacred lessons. He was converted to God at the early age of ten years, and never after entertained a doubt of his salvation from the guilt and power of sin, through Jesus. He prepared for college at Cazenovia Seminary, N. Y., and graduated at the Wesleyan University, in 1839, at the age of twenty. A portion of his college life was passed under the presidency of the beloved and sainted Fisk, the impress of whose character, as a model of the morally beautiful, he seemed ever after to bear. For seven years, he served in the capacity of teacher, and

subsequently as principal, in Newbury Seminary, Vt., when, in '49, he was called to the principalship of the Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, Michigan.—This, now tried and noble institution, with its neighbor and ally, the Female Collegiate Institute, obtained their present permanency and position in public regard, essentially, through his connection with them, and labors in their behalf. From this post, a year and a half previous to his death, he was elected President of the North-Western University, located on the lake shore, about eleven miles north of Chicago. On this noble and extensive enterprise Dr. Hinman set his whole heart, and it is not at all unlikely that his consuming zeal, ceaseless and untiring labors in its behalf by inducing a jaded and overworked condition of constitution, though naturally healthy, and even vigorous, may have hastened his lamented death. Even while laboring under the disease (the choleric dysentery,) that terminated his existence, despite the remonstrances of friends, he was found pleading the cause of his favorite interest, and refused to stop while his engagements remained unfulfilled, until, to proceed farther, became literally a physical impossibility. Returning East, where he was to meet his family, he found himself, or, rather, was found helpless at an inn in Troy, by Rev. Mr. Ransom, who took him to his own house, where, despite all that kindness and skill could do for him, in a few days he was before the throne.

He was licensed to preach in his nineteenth year, during his college course, and was received on probation, in the Vermont Conference, soon after his connection with the Newbury seminary. In 1846, he was transferred to the Michigan Conference, with which he was connected till his deeply lamented death.

That President Hinman possessed talents of a very high order, the high posts in the church that he was successively called upon to fill, are sufficient proof. That he left behind him a rare example of having improved the "talents" committed to his trust, is sufficiently illustrated by his eminent success. It was his rare praise, to be called to no post, in which he did not surprise hope and expectation, by surpassing them. Ripe in scholarship and regarding the consecration of science and of letters to the cross, as the only consideration that could reconcile the preacher to the union of the pulpit and the professor's chair, as a teacher, his scholastic duties were wont to be timely blended with lessons of piety; and conversions always occurred among his pupils. He was emphatically "apt to teach" both in the recitation room and the pulpit. His sermons were always earnest and instructive, and often eloquent in the true and best sense; while his more elaborated addresses, lectures, inaugurals, always evinced a profound and accurate grasp of philosophical thought, unexceptional chasteness of diction, and wealth and felicity of illustration. The hearer was convinced by the power of truth transparently expressed, and was often transported with delight, by the beauty, and at times, gorgeousness, of his imagery. As a Christian gentleman, the kindly graces were ripe in him, and they were *all* there, and developed with symmetry. His presence lit every circle, and he was adapted to adorn any. In his etiquette as a Christian minister, if he ever felt envy, he never had the weakness to betray it, always spoke in the language of Pauline charity of even the delinquencies of others, while his very kindness seemed to betray him, at times, into an exaggerated estimate of the

worth and wisdom of his brethren. His conduct, by the power and appropriateness of the exemplification, always rebukingly reminded one of the injunction, "In honor preferring one another."

Doctor Hinman lived the life of the righteous, and his end was peace.—Though the last hours of his life were "dark on this side," as reason had failed him, yet were there scintillations through the darkness, that showed how bright they were on the other side. When evidently deaf unconscious and to the interrogatories of surviving friends and dear ones, amid his murmurings, the ejaculative utterances were often heard, "Face to face," "All glorious!" But in the early part of his short but fatal illness, in anticipation of its probable termination, he said, "I should love to live for my little family, and to do a little more good, but the 'Lord's will be done, for me to die is gain.'" Yes, d ubtless. death has been to our dear brother gain; but no one who knew him, or who reads this brief notice of him, can fail to feel that the church has sustained such a loss as she but rarely suffers, in the death of a single son, —a son whose life was short in years, but long in noble deeds.

JAMES V. WATSON.

2—Rev. Ransom Goodell,

—Was born in 1818, in Washington county, New York, converted and received into the M. E. Church on probation, in 1837; licensed to exhort in 18 8,to preach in 1840,and emigrated to Michigan in 1847,and was employed by the Presiding Elder on the St. Joseph Circuit the same, and the following years, in the last of which, (1848,) he was received on probation in the Michigan Conference. He was ordained Deacon in 1849 at the Conference which met at Adrian,and Elder on the 18th of September, 1853, at the Conference which met at Detroit. He traveled in connection with this Conference seven years, and closed his useful life in holy triumph, at Farmington, in charge of the circuit by that name, on the 8th of August, 1855.

Brother Goodell was a minister of the new covenant, of great faith and exemplary faithfulness; and though of medium talent, and ordinary attainments, such was his confidence in that truth, which must always constitute the vital stimulous of ministerial character and effort; "Wo unto me if I preach not the gospel," that the fullest measure of success was often the fruit of his pious zeal. He is now blessed above, and in memory will be long blessed below.

3—Rev. J. J. Whitmore,

—Closed his life suddenly on the 12th of August, in the parsonage on Bennington circuit aged 26 years. He was born in Chatauque county, New York, converted to God, and joined the M. E. Church in his seventeenth year. He was five years an itinerant, two of which he traveled under the Elder, and three in connection with the Conference.

He was a man of deep piety and exemplary devotedness, enjoying the confidence of his brethren and of good repute among them which are without. Young in years and in the ministry, a bright star of promise, has set just as it appeared above the horizon. The honored instrument of converting souls from the error of their ways in life, he is blessed in death, and his works do follow him.

XIII. ALPHABETICAL LIST.

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MINUTES

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MINUTES.

I. CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION.

The Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, commenced its twenty-first session in the village of Coldwater, Oct. 1, 1856, at 9 o'clock A. M., Bishop T. A. Morris, presiding.

The Conference was opened by reading the Scriptures, singing, and prayer by the President.

R. C. Crawford was elected Secretary.

The following Standing Committees were then appointed:

On Public Worship—J. K. Gillett, H. Morgan, and T. M. Jacockes.

Conference Stewards—C. C. Olds, J. H. Pitezel, and S. A. Osborn.

On Missions—J. Jennings, J. K. Gillett, I. Cogshall, H. Penfield, and W. H. Brockway.

Mission Auditing Committee—M. B. Cambura, J. Boynton, and E. H. Day.

On Education—T. H. Sinex, G. Bignell, E. Crane, D. Burns, and W. W. Johnson.

On Sunday Schools—W. C. Comfort, N. Fassett, and J. W. Robinson.

On Temperance—F. B. Bangs, W. C. Comfort, and D. D. Gillett.

On Bible Cause—S. Steele, D. Thomas, and I. Bennett.

On Publication of Minutes—W. Mahon, S. C. Woodard, and E. Holdstock.

On Tract Cause—G. Bradley, G. W. Hoag, and T. H. Bignell.

On Bethel Cause—A. M. Fitch, H. Law, and N. Mount.

On Slavery—D. Burns, W. Mahon, V. G. Boynton, J. H. Harder, and D. Thomas.

On Statistics—A. A. Dunton, J. T. Robe, and I. N. Thoms.

On Conference Seminary—A. M. Fitch, G. Bradley, and H. Morgan.

On Parsonages—W. W. Johnson, L. Bennett, and L. W. Earl.
On Post Offices—A. Wakefield.
On Metropolitan Church—R. Sapp, E. Crane, and J. Boynton.
On Monument—R. Sapp, W. H. Brockway, and M. A. Daugherty.

II. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1. Who have been admitted on trial?

Answer—Wm. Penland, A. Gore, A. T. Ayers, W. W. Crum, L. J. Griffin, Wm. Doust, Wm. C. H. Bliss, James I. Buel, J. Mosher, Wm. M. Coplin, Milo Corey, E. L. Kellogg, J. M. Pratt, J. R. Savage, H. P. Barker, and D. W. Sumner—16.

Question 2. Who remain on trial?

Answer—N. L. Otis, John Clubine, J. Braggin, T. J. Hill, D. S. Freeman, Thos. Clark, T. J. Congden, M. A. Daugherty, and M. L. Carpenter—9.

Question 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer—Thos. Lyon, E. C. Chambers, N. L. Brockway, G. D. Palmer, Wm. McKnight, and A. L. Crittenden—6.

Question 4. Who are the Deacons?

Answer—L. M. Bennett, I. N. Thoms, D. D. Gillett, I. S. Finch, E. C. Chambers, Wm. McKnight, A. L. Crittenden, T. Lyon,* N. L. Brockway,* and G. D. Palmer.*

Question 5. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

Answer—J. S. Harder and L. W. Earl.

Question 6. Who have located this year?

Answer—F. Gage.

Question 7. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Answer—E. Crane.

Question 8. Who are the superannuated, or worn out Preachers?

Answer—A. Billings, B. Sabin, Isaac Taylor, and S. B. Finch.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the connection this year?

Answer—None.

Question 10. Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

Answer—None.

Question 11. Were all the Preachers' characters examined?

Answer—This was strictly attended to by calling over their names before the Conference.

Those marked thus * have been ordained this year.

Question 12. Who have died this year?

Answer—None.

Question 13. What is the number of Members, and what of Probationers in Society?

Answer—Members 9,922, Probationers 1,702.

Question 14. What amounts are necessary for the Superanuated Preachers and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers, and to make up the deficiency of those who have not obtained their regular allowance on their circuits?

Answer—On the claims of effective men,	$3,390 00
On those of the Superanuated Preachers, Widows, &c.,	1,136 00
Total,	$4,526 00

Question 15. What has been collected on the above account, and how has it been applied?

Answer—From the different charges as a Fifth collection,	$209 23
From Chartered Fund,	30 00
From Conference Collection,	28 05
Total,	$267 28

The above amount has been distributed as follows, viz:

To A. Billings,	$46,83	To Mrs. King,	$23 42
E. H. Day,	58,07	Mrs. Ercanbrack,	23 42
T. H. Jacokes,	50,57	Mrs. Brakeman,	29 03
Mrs. Staples,	34,66	For Stationery,	1 28
Total,			$267 28

The receipts from the "Parkhurst Fund" are $14,75. Distributed as follows, viz:

To Mrs. Staples,	$4,62
Mrs. King,	3,13
Mrs. Ercanbrack,	3,13
Mrs. Brakeman,	3,07

Received on necessitous cases, $3,00. Applied to Mrs. Staples.

The following Preamble and Resolution was adopted, viz: *Whereas*, There is a great deficiency in the funds brought to Conference to meet the urgent demands of our worn out Preachers, Widows and Orphans; and *Whereas*, we believe that there is a readiness on the part of our people to meet these claims, if properly presented by the Preachers. Therefore, *Resolved*, That, as members of the Conference, we will use our best endeavors to collect from each member in our respective charges the sum of one shilling to meet this righteous claim.

Question 16. What has been contributed for the support of Missions? What for Sunday School Union? What for the publication and circulation of Tracts? and what to aid the American Bible Society?

Answer—For Missions, $1,284 35; for Sunday School Union, $106 03; For Tracts, $48 21, and for American Bible Society, $177 45.

Question 17. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

MASHALL DISTRICT—J. JENNINGS, P. E.

Marshall—*N. Abbott*,
Albion—*F. B. Eaues*,
Battle Creek—*F. Holdstock*,
Leroy—*G. W. Hoag*,
Hastings—*E. H. Day*, onn to be supplied,
Parma—N. L. Brockway,
*Ma*engo—John Braggins,
Bellevue—*S. Steele*,
Galesburgh—*R. Sapp*,
Burlington—*C. D. Palmer*,
South Albion—*M. B. Camburn*, *E. Crane*.
Middleville—To be supplied,
Penfield—A. Gore,
Union City—To be supplied,
Leonidas—J. Mosher.

T. H. Sinex—President of the Albion Female Collegiate Institute and Weslepan Seminary.
C. C. Olds—Professor; both members of Albion Quarterly Conference.
A. M. Fitch—Financial Secretary of the Western Seaman's Friend Society and member of Albion Quarterly Conference.

COLDWATER DISTRICT—D. BURNS, P. E.

Coldwater—*H. Morgan*,
Girard—*N. Fassett*,
Centreville—*B. F. Doughty*.
Three Rivers—*T. H. Jacobs*,
Constantine—*T. B. Granger*,
Mottville—To be supplied,
White Pigeon—M. A. Daughery,
Sturges—*V. G. Boynton*,
Burr Oak—J. Clubine, Jr.,
Quincy—*L. W. Earl*.
Reading—J. I. Buel,
California—E. C. Chambers,
Jonesville—I. N. Thomas,
Hillsdale—D. D. Gillett,
Osceo—J. S. Fitch, Wm. Doust,
Litchfield—*S. C. Woodard*.
Allen—To be supplied.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—J. COGSHALL P. E.

Kalamazoo—*W. C. Comfort*,
Ostemo—A. Beach,
Schoolcraft—*T. Bignell*,
Paw Paw—*J. H. Pitezell*.
Decatur—*F. Glass*, one to be supplied,
Summerville—*James T. Robe*,
Edwardsburgh—*G. Bignell*,
Niles—*J. R. Gillett*,
Buchanan—*J. W. Robinson*,
New Buffalo—Milo Corey,
St. Joseph—W. C. Bliss, E. L. Kellogg,
Coloma—W. Stafford, one to be supplied,
Black River—W. Penland,
Ganges—W. F. Jenkins.
Otsego—*S. Hendrickson*,
Cooper—S. A. Osborne.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—H. PENFIELD, P. E.

Grand Rapids, Eastern Charge—*J. Boynton*.
Grand Rapids, Western do —J. R. Savage.
Grandville—W. W. Crum,
Wayland—P. Williams,
Allegan—D. Bush.
Lamont—*A. Wakefield*,
Newaygo—T. J. Congdon,
White River—L. M. Bennett,
Laphamville—J. W. Cawthorne
Greenville—*A. A. Dunton*,
Flat River—W. McKnight, one to be supplied.
Boston—Thos. Clark, one to be supplied,
Ionia—*I. Bennett*
Portland—*W. W. Johnson*,
Muskegon—J. M. Pratt,
North Port—To be supplied.

LANSING DISTRICT—H. LAW, P. E.

Lansing—*W. Mahon*
Grand Ledge—H. P. Barker,
Matherton—M. Carpenter,
Gravlot—T. J. Hill,
DuPlain—*J. S. Harder*, one to be supplied,
De Witt—*E. D. Young*;
Mason—A. L. Crittenden, one to be supplied.
Kinneville—N. L. Otis,
Eaton Rapids—*R. Pengelly*,
Charlotte—*T Lyon*,
Jackson—*G. Bradley*, *R. C. Crawford*, Sup.
Moscow—*N. Mount*,
Wheatland—A. T. Ayers.

INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT—W. H. BROCKWAY, P. E.

Janesville—P. O. Johnson.
Isabella—L. J. Griffin, J. Elliott,
Grand River—P. Marksham,
Ottawa Colony—D. Thomas, H. Jackson.

D. S. Freeman, transferred to Detroit Conference. Park. S. Donaldson transferred to Delaware Conference.

Question 18. Where shall our next Conference be held?
Answer—At Lansing.

III. COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

1.—TRAVELING PREACHERS.

1st Year, R. Pengelly, J. W. Robinson, N. Fassett, and A. A. Dunton.
2d year, J. Bennett, V. G. Boynton, G. Bignell and P. O. Johnston.
3d year, E. H. Day, T. H. Jacokes, W. C. Comfort and E. D. Young.
4th year, H. Morgan, J. Boynton, M. B. Camburn and J. K. Gillett.

2.—LOCAL PREACHERS FOR DEACONS ORDERS.

S. C. Woodard, J. T. Robe, and Amos Wakefield.

3.—LOCAL DEACONS FOR ELDERS ORDERS.

David Thomas, S. A. Osborne and N. Mount.

The following resolutions were adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the time for the meeting of the Committees of Examination, provided for in the Discipline (except in the case of the Local Preachers and Deacons) shall be fixed on Tuesday preceding our next Annual Conference, at 9 o'clock A. M., and that the Committee shall not be required to examine the candidates at any other time.

Resolved, That Local candidates for ordination be requested to appear before the Committees for examination at the seat of the Conference on the first Friday of the session at 2 o'clock, P. M.

IV. DELEGATES TO ECCLESIASTICAL BODIES.

Presbyterian Synod of Michigan. The Minister stationed at Niles.
Congregational association of Michigan. I. C. Abbott.
Baptist Convention of Michigan. W. H. Brockway.

V. METHODISM IN IRELAND.

The Rev'd Wm. Reilly one of the Delegates from the Wesleyan Methodist Conference in Ireland to the Methodist Episcopal Church in America was introduced by the Bishop to the Conference, and stated the object of the Mission.

On motion the following were appointed a committee to confer with Mr. Reilly and prepare a report on the subject, viz: R. Sapp, Wm. Mahon and A. M. Fitch.

The Committee presented the following resolutions which were adopted unanimously, viz:

Resolved, 1. That the enterprise undertaken by our Irish Brethren in Ireland is worthy of our christian sympathy and cordial support.

Resolved, 2. That we commend that the subject be presented to all our churches on or before the first Sabbath in January 1857.

Resolved, 3. That Mr. Reilly be invited to visit our various charges as far as may suit his convenience, and that we assure him of our cordial sympathy and co-operation in the promotion of his truly christian enterprise.

Resolved, 4. That when the subject is presented to our churches, we will take suitable measures to raise funds for the Irish Mission, and cause a record to be kept of all donations of one dollar and upwards and report the same at the next session of our Conference.

Resolved, 5. That, W. Mahon, be appointed the General Treasurer of this fund for this Conference.

Resolved, 6. That we hold a public meeting for the presentation of the Irish Mission Enterprise next Sabbath evening and respectfully request the President of our Conference to be present and preside on the occasion.

Resolved, 7. That we will there take measures to obtain contributions for the enterprise, and that the preachers who may then contribute for this object be permitted to report their donation in connection with the several charges to which they may be appointed; and also that the members of the different charges who may be present and contribute may have their donations record with those of their respective charges to which they belong.

VI. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

1.—CONFERENCE OFFICERS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

President—T. H. JACOKES. *Secretary*—J. H. PITEZEL.
Vice President—S. STEELE. *Treasurer*—D. THOMAS.

DIRECTORS.

E. Holdstock,	O. C. Comstock,	I. C. Abbott,	J. J. Kimkins,
D. Burns,	S. W. Walker,	W. C. Comfort,	E. J. House,
E. H. Day,	Thos. Hamilton,	J. Boynton,	Wm. Bort,
R. Pengelly,	H. Leader,	H. Morgan,	C. B. Fisk,
W. Mahon,	A. Herrick,	R. C. Crawford,	J. W. Hulin.

2.—REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made their report including the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That the fact, that children are born without knowledge and naturally inclined to sin, makes it our imperative duty to furnish them with early religious instruction.

Resolved, 2. That their natural desire of knowledge, their guileless confidence and the retentive nature of youthful memory afford especial grounds of encouragement in prosecuting this important work.

Resolved, 3. That, while we gladly acknowledge the Sunday School Teacher as a fellow-helper in the Gospel, yet their laudable efforts in the cause, can in no wise be accepted as a substitute for ministerial care and exertion in the Sunday School enterprise.

Resolved, 4. That we pledge ourselves anew to this holy work, to extend widely as possible the benefits of Sunday School instruction, and to bring the greatest possible number of children to the knowledge of Christ.

Resolved, 5. That we will exert ourselves to procure an enlarged circulation of the Sunday School Advocate, and wherever practicable we will take a collection for the Sunday School Union of our church.

Resolved, 6, That we concur with the board of Managers at N. York in recommending District Sunday School Conventions wherever they are practicable and have not yet been introduced.

W. C. Comfort is appointed to preach the anniversary sermon in behalf of the Sunday School cause at the next Conference, and J. Boynton and Dr. O. C. Comstock, Speakers at the anniversary meeting.

VII. TRACT ENTERPRISE.

1—CONFERENCE SOCIETY.

President—The President of the Conference.

Vice Presidents—R. SAPP, D. THOMAS, F. B. BANGS, G. W. HOAG, S. STEELE.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

G. Bradley, E. H. Day, W. C. Comfort
J. Boynton, H. Law.

Recording Sec'y—D. Burns, *Corresponding Sec'y*—D. D. Gillett.

Treasurer—R. Pengelly.

To preach the Annual Sermon—H. Morgan.

To speak at Anniversary Meeting—T. H. Jacokes and E. Holdstock alternate W. Fassett and V. G. Boynton.

The Committee on the Tract Cause presented their report, including the resolutions as below, which were adopted, viz:

Resolved, 1. That it be the duty of each Presiding Elder to present the subject to the Quarterly Meeting Conference of each of the charges and recommend the appoint m ract Steward, and to call the district meeting in the early part of the year, for the purpose of consulting together relative to the best interests and means of carrying forward the Tract enterprise in the District.

Resolved, 2. That the Preachers and Tract Stewards of each charge shall have the supervision of the work of Tract distribution and the raising of funds for the cause.

Resolved, 3. That we request the Preachers to preach a sermon directly on the subject of the Tract enterprise in each congregation on or before the second Sabbath in May and take a collection, fifty per cent of which shall be expended for Tracts for gratuitous distribution, and the balance shall be paid into the Treasury of the Conference Society.

Resolved, 4. That we recommend the Preachers and Tract Stewards to divide each Charge into Districts, and employ Tract distributors, whose duty it shall be to visit every family, distribute Tracts and receive donations for the cause, and it shall be their duty to make a report to the Preachers and Stewards monthly.

Resolved, 5. That we recommend that a Tract Meeting be held as often as practicable for prayer and consultation, and that the Tract distributors report to these meetings the number of families visited, Tracts distributed and amount received and paid over to the Preachers and Tract Stewards.

VIII. PARSONAGES.

The Committee on Parsonages made their repost and presented the following resolutions which were adopted, viz:

Resolved, 1. That if we are spared to labor in our Master's Vineyard another year, we will use our utmost endeavors to erect parsonages where there are none, fence the lots, and set out shade trees, &c.

Resolved, 2. That after we have them built and so arranged, we will not make them into pastures by turning in the cattle; but guard and presererve them with the greatest care.

IX. STATISTICAL TABLES.

1. General Statistics.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	IN SOCIETY.			CHURCH PROPERTY.				Members Died.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.								AMOUNTS RAISED FOR				
	Members.	Prob.	L. Prs.	Churchs.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.		S. Schls	Officers & Teachrs	No. of Scholrs.	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes.	No in Infant Cls.	Tot'l Ex. of Schls	S School Advcte	No. Conversions	Missions	S School Union.	Tract Society.	Am'can Bible Society.	Fifth Collcn.
MARSHALL DISTRICT.																					
Marshall	122	1		1	$4,000	1	$1,000	2	1	18	160	450	2	20	$20 09	50	2	25 50			3 50	
Albion	170	10	1	1	4,000	1	1,200	2	1	10	90	500	1	12		30		79 80				
Battle Creek	183	7		1	1,900	1	1,500	4	2	20	190	200	2		35 00	50		65 09				5 00
Parma	192	36	4	4	4,500	1	700	7	3	20	90	200	2		5 00		15	33 00				
Eaton Rapids	107	6	2	1	3,000			1	2	13	112	250	2	8	13 00	10						
Charlotte	302	72	2			1	1,200	5	5	57	160	740	3			62	4	25 00	2 00			2 63
Bellevue	161	22	3	1	2,000			1	5	52	320	430	1		18 17			22 04			2 03	
Jackson	93	3	2	1	5,000			3	1	15	80	400	1		25 00	60	1	7 50				
Middleville	34	42						1	2	14	87	230			1 00							
South Albion	295	23	1	4	4,000	1	600	3	6	30	240	800	3		25 00	42	6	12 74	21 00			4 27
Marengo	101	29	3					1	5	20	102	176		10	12 80	22	6	21 97	0 75	1 56		
Burlington	117	21		2	1,400			2	1	7	40	200	1			35		6 00				
Galesburgh	2 0	60	1	2	4,000	1	800		5	40	400	800	1		40 00	30	10	50 00				10 00
Hastings	280	10	4			1	300	4	3	18	70	210			10 00							
Penfield	150	18	1					2	8	60	220	930	4		27 00	30	12	75 00				
	2510	360	27	18	32,900	8	7,300	38	50	388	221	6292	23	50	211 97	420	52	424 89	25 2	1 56	5 53	21 90
COLDWATER DISTRICT.																						
Coldwater	197	27		1	5,000	1	1,200	4	1	27	220	600	2	40	100 00	40	2	100 00	27 00	27 00	80 00	
Girard	121	8	2	1	1 300	1	250	2	4	20	107	455	3	15	12 00	65		31 17	4 42			10
Union City	295	16	9	3	9,000			4	8	51	290	948	3		11 00	15						
Centreville	160	7	5	2	3,000	1	600	1	2	12	95	317	1		10 00	42	4	32 07				2 04
Three Rivers	22		3	2	2,500	1	1,0 0	2	2									29 00		5 00		8 00
Constantine	88	43		2	1,500	1	450		2	17	75	300	1	5								
White Pigeon	12	30		2	2,500	1	800	1	3	28	140	500	3	26	50 00		2	71 00	5 00	5 00	10 62	10 00
Sturgis	80	2	2	1	1,000	1	700	2	1	20	100	230	2		5 25	10		10 31				3 20
Gilead	70	4	3						4	40	130	320	2		21 50							
Quincy	130	11	2	1				2	1	10	50	300	1	15	6 00	40		5 96				3 00

Reading	124	33	2	1	1,500			3	4	40	140	350		10	10 00	12	8						
Litchfield	160	16		2	1,800	1	500	1	4	27	115	434			18 00	10		52 75					
Jonesville	89	3		2	2,500			1	1	13	50	265	1	9	12 50	20						4 00	
Hillsdale	35	2	2	1	1,500	1	600		1	6	30	150		6	15 00	20						10 00	
Moscow	95	25		1	1,500	1	400		1	10	50	150	1		10 00								
Osseo	226	78	5			1	300	1	7	73	235	860	1	47				16 00					5 75
Addison	155	49	2	1	800	1	400	1	4	31	150	339			18 00			7 75				13 00	
	2339	335	37	23	33,500	12	7,200	25	59	434	2007	6516	20	134	249 39	347	19	294 20	36 42	37 00	117 62	49 43	
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.																							
Kalamazoo	178	10	1	1	2,000	1	1,500	5	1	14	114	375	1	30	30 00	32	6	51 12	7 25		12 50	9 40	
Cooper	189	27	1			1	500	1	4	50	176		4			10							27 00
Otsego	115		1	1	2,500			1	6	18	140	360			20 00	18							6 00
Allegan	93	50	1	1	2,000			3	2	20	60	200	1		26 00	32							
Ganges	60	9	1			1	450	3	6	20	126	306	3		8 80	26	10						62
Schoolcraft	73	2		2	2,000			1	4	28	185	370			17 00	25		5 91			1 70		
Ostrander	119	10	5					2	2	12	72	186	1		6 00		18	22 00	3 00				
Paw Paw	92	10	2	1	2,500			3	1	12	50	383	1		24 00	24		14 25				1 00	
Niles	155	16	1	1	1,000	1	400	3	1	19	136	752	1	60	49 00	35	6	24 25	6 16		15 00	5 00	
Summerville	139	31	1	2	1,000			2	4	25	130	700			18 00	14	8	18 00	5 10			1 00	
Dowagiac	110	15	4	2	1,100			1	4	30	100	400	2		5 00			40 00	4 00			4 00	
Decatur	160	21	1					2	5	60	225	1225	4	15	10 00								
Edwardsburgh	192	7	1	2	2,500	1	800	2	3	34	107	810	3	13	11 75	44	5	73 45	3 25			7 67	
Buchanan	144	17	2	2	2,500	1	650	2	4	24	80	600	2		51 5	10		26 18			5 05	15 30	
New Buffalo	34	6				1	250		3	12	60	270			18 00	10						3 00	
St. Joseph	212	70	6			1	400	7	6	56	157	562	2	26	30 00	15		48 57	1 69				
Black River	70	9	1			1	400	3	4	31	97	350		10				3 00					
Wayland	56	8						1	3	24	75	150	1	15	13 58	3							
	2187	327	29	15	19,600	9	5,300	22	63	388	2032	7299	26	279	308 62	272	53	39 75	30 35		37 25	80 38	
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.																							
Grand Rapids, East	193	9	3	1	3,000	1	2,500	5	3	42	253	650	1		49 00	35		19 44			15 00	7 00	
do West	80	10	1	1	600			1	3	32	123	4 0	5	12	34 70	40	1					3 86	
Paris	154	18	3					1	6	44	161	568	3	14	35 25	58		2 00	1 43			2 16	
Steele's Landing	67	9		1	900	1	600	1	1	12	94	115	1	20	13 00	21		5 00			2 00		
Sparta	83	8	3			1	250		4	24	109	326		25	5 82				53			2 33	
Newaygo	48	19							3	20	70	300	1		10 00	52		4 50					
White River	26	1		1	800	1	250		4	19	90	400	1	12	38 66	54	1						
Flat River	203	121	1	1	1,000	1	350	2	3	27	110		1			30	24	50					
Boston	95	3	2					3	3	21	65	446	2		8 00				1 53				
Lapham ville	70	83				1	200	2	4	32	73	388	1		42 00	32		6 93				12 56	
Granville	106	6	2	1	2,000			2	3	80	110	675			50 00	45	1	4 00				2 00	
Ionia	159	44	3	2	1,000	1	800	4	3	18	75	400	1			14		41 53	6 52	8 65		5 30	
Portland	247	114	6			2	800	6	4	33	100	450	3	10	10 00	2	50						
Matherton	103	12	4						3	23	85	2 0	1										

STATISTICAL TABLES, (Continued.)

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	IN SOCIETY.			CHURCH PROPERTY.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.								AMOUNTS RAISED FOR				
	Members.	Prob.	L. Prs.	Churches	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	Members Died.	S. Schls	Officers & Tchrs	No. of Scholrs.	Vols. in Library.	Bible Classes	No in Infant Cls.	Tot'l Ex. of Schls	S. School Advocate	No. Conversions	Missions	S. School Union.	Tract Society.	Am'can Bible Society.	Fifth Collect'n.
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.																					
Lansing	136	48	3	1	1,000	1	800		3	20	13	350	2			60		20 65		1 00		10 52
Dewitt	172	21	1			1	800	3	7	54	187	685	2	14	30 25	1		37 96				1 60
Du Plain	21	64	1	1	1,650	1	75	1	7	59	215	879	12		18 15	36	12	18 15				2 81
Williamston	147	17	3	1	1,800	1	250	1	4	24	120	270				10		5 95				
	2298	643	3	11	13,850	13	7,475	39	67	533	2203	7613	26	14	344 83	513	89	162 61	14 00	9 65	17 00	51 14
INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT.																					
Hazier	172	33	3	1	500	1	350		2	9	100	80										
Janesville	240	4	2	3	1,300	3	600	2														
Grand River	50			1	700	1	50	2										6 62				
Nottaway	125					1	300	1	1	1	40	100										
	587	37	5	5	2,500	6	1,300	5	3	10	140	180						6 62				

2—Statistics of Ministerial Support.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.	
		Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts
MARSHALL DISTRICT.	J Jennings	440 00	440 00	100 00	100 00
Marshall	E. Holdstock,	500 00	400 00	P.	
Albion,	Wm. Mahon,	475 00	475 00	P.	
Jackson,	R. C. Crawford,	395 00	364 00	90 00	90 00
Battle Creek,	F. B. Bangs,	590 00	590 00	P.	
Hastings,	S. Steel,	400 00	300 00	P.	
Eaton Rapids,		250 00	175 00		
Charlotte,	Thos. Lyon,	360 00	360 00	P.	
Charlotte,	N. L. Otis,	340 00	340 00	20 00	20 00
Parma,	M. B. Camburn,	417 00	365 00	P.	
Marengo	N. L. Brockway,	400 00	375 00		
Bellevue,	G. W Hoag,	425 00	314 00	58 00	58 00
Galesburgh,	F. Gage,	400 00	400 00	P.	
Burlington	Luman Gee	800 00	300 00	25 00	25 00
South Albion,	H. C Law	496 00	350 00	P.	
South Albion,	J. W. Hawthorn,	443 00	200 00	30 00	30 00
Middleville		170 00	130 00		
Penfield,		300 00	210 00		
Wesleyan Sem,	N. Abbott,	500 00	500 00		
Wesleyan Sem.,	C. C. Olds,	500 00	500 00		
Wesleyan Sem.,	Geo. Bradley,	600 00	600 00		
		8701 00	7788 00	323 00	323 00
COLDWATER DISTRICT.	J. K. G'Tett,	485 00	485 00	75 00	75 00
Coldwater,	H. Morgan,	425 00	425 00	P.	
Girard,	N. Fassett,	376 00	316 00	P.	
Union City,	J. Clutine,	175 00	150 00	P.	
Union City,	B. N. Sheldon,	400 00	261 00	52 00	52 00
Centerville,		300 00	276 00	P.	
Three Rivers	T. B. Granger,	525 00	525 00	P.	
Constantine	H Hall,				
White Pigeon	M. A Daugherty,	473 00	473 00	P.	
Sturges,	V. G. Boynton,	457 00	382 00	43 00	43 00
Gilead,					
Quincy,	L. W. Earl,	396 00	396 00	75 00	75 00
Reading,	E. C. Chambers,	205 00	205 00	25 00	20 00
Litchfield,	S C. Woodard	375 00	375 00	P.	
Litchfield,	E. Crane,	200 00	100 00		
Jonesville,	S. B. Finch,	335 00	90 00		
Hillsdale,	D. D. Gillett,	400 00	300 00	P.	
Moscow,	A. C. Wells,	376 00	147 00	40 00	40 00
Osceo,	N. Mount,	380 00	258 00		
		6283 00	5264 00	310 00	329 00
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.	J. Cogshall,	575 00	565 00	75 00	75 00
Kalamazoo	D. Burns,	416 00	416 00	P.	
Cooper,	Porter Williams,	410 00	410 00	40 00	40 00
Wayland,	W. F. Jenkins,	450 00	256 00		
Otsego,	W. C. H. Bliss,	170 00	78 00		
Otsego,	N. C. Ethridge,	368 00	239 00		
Allegan	S. A. Osborn,	400 00	338 00	70 00	70 00
Ganges,	W. Stafford	546 00	327 00	P.	
Schoolcraft,	F. Glass,	386 00	536 00	60 00	60 00
Ostemo,	R. Watson,				
Paw Paw,	W. C. Comfort,	435 00	535 00	65 00	65 00
Niles,	Jeremy Boynton,	441 00	441 00	P.	
Summesrville,	John Bragins,	368 00	40 00	30 00	30 00
Dowagiac,	J. W. Robinson,	382 00	350 00	58 00	58 00
Decatur,	A, Beach,	348 00	230 00	40 00	40 00
	W. Simmons,				
Edwardsburgh,	J. H. Pitzel,	400 00	400 00	P.	
Buchanan,	J. T. Rolie,	435 00	435 00	P.	
New Buffalo,	S. Hendrickson,	310 00	310 00	35 00	35 00
St. Joseph,	T. A. Bignell,	357 00	325 00	P.	
Black River,	Milo Corey,	323 00	323 00	P.	
		7511 00	6264 00	473 00	473 00
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.	H. Penfield,	500 00	500 00	100 00	100 00
Grand Rapids, E. C	R. Sapp,	445 00	445 00	P.	

Statistics of Ministerial Support.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.	
		Cl'ms	Rec'ts	Cl'ms	Rec'ts
Grand Rapids, W. C.	Amos Wakefield,	400 00	400 00	65 00	65 00
Paris,	Thos Clark,	351 00	278 00	39 00	39 00
Steel's landing					
Sparta,	J. N. Thomas,	300 00	88 00	P.	
Newago,	Tho's S. Congdon,	404 00	355 00	28 00	28 00
White River,	L. M. Bennett,	330 00	263 00	P.	
Flat River,	D Bush,	471 00	340 00	P.	
Boston,	W. McKnight,	324 00	240 00	25 00	25 00
Laphamville,	G. D. Palmer,	300 00	220 00	P.	
Greenville,	G. Bignell,	474 00	334 00	66 00	61 00
Ionia,	Isaac Bennett,	550 00	455 00	P.	
Portland,	A. A. Dunton,	349 00	349 00	P.	
Portland,	M. L, Carpenter,	367 00	367 00	P.	
Matherton,	S. N. House,	320 00	212 00	44 00	40 00
Lansing,	P. Donaldson,	461 00	461 00	P.	
DeWitt	E. D. Young,	430 00	430 00	P.	
DuPlain,	J. S. Hardder,	316 00	266 00	P.	
DuPlain,	F. J. Hill,	195 00	140 00		
Williamston,	A. L. Crittenden,	500 00	373 00	P.	
		7757 00	6546 00	367 00	358 00
INDIAN MISSION.					
District,	W. H Brockway,	600 00	600 00		
Razeir,	D. S. Freeman,	400 00	400 00		
Janesville,	P. C. Johnson,	550 00	550 00		
Janesville,	P. Marksman,	350 00	350 00		
Grand River,	W. W. Johnson,	400 00	400 00		
Grand River,	H. Jackson,	300 00	300 00	P.	
Nottawa,	D. Thomas,	400 00	400 00	P.	
Nottawa,	J. Elliott,	300 00	300 00		
		3300 00	3300 00		

RECAPITULATION.

Marshall District	8701 00	7788 00	323 00	323 00
Coldwater, do	6283 00	5264 00	310 00	310 00
Kalamozoo do	7511 00	6264 00	473 00	473 00
Grand Rapids do	7757 00	6546 00	367 00	358 00
Indian Mission do	3300 00	3300 00		
Total Claims,	33552 00	29162 00	1473 00	1464 00
Total Receipts,	26162 00			
Deficiency,	4490 00			

X. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

1.—OFFICERS OF SOCIETY.

President—A. M. FITCH, *Vice President*—E. HOLDSTOCK.
Treasurer—M. B. CAMBURN, *Secretary*—T. H. BIGNELL.

MANAGERS.

F. B. Bangs, S. A. Osborn, A. Wakefield,
H. Law, S. Woodard.

To Preach the Anniversary Sermon—E. Crane. Alternate—E. Holdstock.

Speakers at Anniversary Meeting—R. Sapp, C. B. Fisk. Alternate—T. H. Sinex.

Doctor Durbin, Secretary of the Missionary Cause in the Methodist Episcopal Church, addressed the Conference on the subject of the Missionary Enterprise, at the close of which, R. Sapp and H. Penfield offered the following resolutions, which were adopted by the Conference, viz:

Resolved, That our attachment to the Missionary Society of our Church is unabated, and that we will endeavor to double the amount of our contributions during the ensuing year.

Resolved, That we, at all times, most cordially welcome the visits and counsels of the Secretary, to our body and to our societies.

2.—MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

TO DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Marshall District.—Middleville	$50 00	Gd. Rapids Dist.—P. E.	50 00
Coldwater District.—Hillsdale	60 00	do. Newago	50 00
Kalamazoo District.—Ganges	$75 00		100 00
Total to Domestic Missions			$285 00

TO INDIAN MISSIONS.

Indian Mission District.

Nottawa—		Kazier—	
Presiding Elder	$600 00	Missionary's salary	$400 00
Missionary's salary	400 00	Interpreter	250 00
Assistant and Interpreter's salary	300 00	School at Kazier	300 00
School at Nottawa	140 00	" Bradley Chapel	300 00
Incidentals	40 00	Jonesville—	
Grand River—		Missionary's salary	550 00
Missionary's salary	400 00	Assistant's do	350 00
Interpreter	300 00	Expenses for removing Assistant	50 00
School at Meshinnenckon	100 00	School at Jonesville	300 00
" Grenville	60 00	" Pesahgening	250 00
" Battle Point	60 00	" Hamline	250 00
Incidentals for Schools	30 00	" Kechassening	250 00
		Incidentals for schools	50 00

Sundry Expenses for traveling to look for lands for Indians, outfits, repairs, camp meetings, &c., $190 09.

Total for Indian Missions $5,793 05.

3.—TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society in Account with M. B. Camburn, Cr. by amount received.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Marshall—E. Holdstock.
Cash 18 00
Remitted to Chicago 7 50
——$25 50

Albion—M. Mahon.
Ladies' As., Cash 2 97
do Box Goods 35 50
Ladies' Mis. As. in Col. Institute 23 53
Sabbath school collection 5 40
Annual collection 12 34
——$79 79

Jackson—R. C. Crawford.
Cash 7 50

Battle Creek—F. B. Bangs.
Cash 64 00

Charlotte—Thos. Lyons.
Cash 25 00
Applied 6 00
—— 31 00

Parma—M. B. Camburn.
Cash 14 89
Applied 18 46
——$33 35

Marengo—N. L. Buckway.
Cash 21 89

Bellevue—G. W. Hogg.
Cash 18 96
Applied 2 08
—— 21 04

Galesburgh—F. Gage.
Cash 6 00

Burlington—L. Gee.
Cash 6 00

South Albion—H. Law.
Cash 14 25

Penfield—M. J. Smith.
Cash 70 14
Applied 5 56
—— 75 70

Total from Marshall District $420 11

From the above amount, Mrs. Maria Pendleton, of Marshall, Miss Aurora E. H. Thompson, and Rev. L. M. Pike, of Albion, John M'Cauly, Sarah M'Cauly and Chas. Dolph, of Battle Creek, and A. Mills, of Galesburgh, are to be made life members of the Parent Missionary Society; and J. A. Adams, of Parma, Mrs. Caroline Lane, of Marengo, Mrs. Anne Aldridge and Potter Eldud, of Galesburgh. Miss Pollona Day, Susanna A. Budlo, Sarah I. Coles, Mary E. Doty, Elizabeth Hamilton, Annis D. Fuller and Mary E. Tomkins, of Penfield, are to be constituted members of the Conference Missionary Society.

COLDWATER DISTRICT.

Coldwater—H. Morgan.
Cash 84 00
Applied 16 00

Girard—N. Fassett.
Cash 31 17

Union City.
Contributed by Thos. J. Eearn, (to be applied on Indian Mission) 2 00

Centreville—J. L. Buel.
Cash 32 10

Three Rivers—T. B. Granger.
Cash 20 00

White Pigeon—M. A. Dauherty.
Cash 66 00

Sturgis—V. G. Boynton.
Cash 10 31

Quincy—L. W. Earl.
Cash 5 00

Reading—E. C. Chambers.
Cash 30 00

Litchfield—S. C. Woodard.
Litchfield class one box goods 30 00
Collected by Miss Baily 5 26
do Miss Sturgis 7 74
do Mrs. Ford 9 75
—— 52 75

Hillsdale—D. D. Gillett.
Cash 16 00

Osseo—N. Mount.
Cash 16 00

Addison—I. Finch.
Cash 7 75

Total from Coldwater District $375 58

From the above sums Philo H. Crippen; Ezra Coon, Mrs. Jennett C. Fisk and Mrs. R. Hamlin, of Coldwater, James David, of Three Rivers, W. B. May, John Bowers and Halsey Caskey, of White Pigeon are to made life members of the Parent Missionary Society; and Rev. J. J. Buel and Mary A. Thoms, of Centreville, Mrs. E. Z. Boynton, of Sturgis, Fanny E. Tift, Eunice L. Baley and Sarah A. Baley to be made life members, of the Conference Missionary Society.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

Kalamazoo—D. Burns.
Collected by Mary Sweet 8 25
" Sarah Seymour .. 8 00
" Mary Darling 5 25
" Mary Coleman 2 17
" Miss Wilcox 4 00
" Mary Root 1 92
Public Collection 21 12
51 12

Schoolcraft—F. Glass.
Cash 5 90

Oshtemo—P. R. Watson.
Cash 22 00

w Paw—W. C. Comfort.
Public collection 10 25
Sunday school 4 00
14 25

Niles—J. Boynton.
Cash 24 25

Summerville—J. Braggins.
Cash 18 00

Dowagiac— . W Robinson.
Dowagiac 4 10
Wayne 5 81
Brooklin 3 65
La Grange 3 64
Cassopolis collection 14 90
Mrs. Nye 1 00
Collected by Miss C. Taggait .. 1 03
" M. Marsh 1 03
" M. Lowrey 1 08
" M. Lowrey 35
Sunday school collection 3 08
39 70

Edwardsburgh—J. H. Pitezel.
Collected by Hannah May 14 00
" Margaret Hopkins 14 46
" M. A. Beauchamp 7 30
" E. Brickle 11 73
" C. Worder 3 29
" M E. Rogers 2 45
" C Howard 3 83
" Mary Lee 3 55
" E. Aldrich 1 35
Public collection 21 49
73 45

Black River—M. Corey.
Cash 3 00

St. Joseph—T. H. Pringle.
Cash 48 56

Buchanan—J. T. Robe.
Cash 16 18
Remitted to Chicago 80 00
96 18

Collected at District Camp Meeting .. 44 83

Total amount from the District ..... $441 24.

From the above amounts Mary S. Boynton, of Niles, and Rev. T. H. Bignell, of St. Joseph, to be constituted life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.

Grand Rapids, Eastern Charge—R. Sapp.
Collected by Rachel Westlake .. 3 25
" C. Beckwith 10 72
" E. Brooks 3 47
" S. Kemp 2 00
19 14

Grand Rapids, West Charge—A. Wakefield.
Goods to Indian Mission 5 00

Paris—T. Clark.
Cash 2 00

Steele's Landing—J. R. Savage.
Cash 5 00

Newago—T. S. Congdon.
Cash 4 50

Boston—Wm McKnight.
Cash 10 09

Lanhamville—C. D. Parmer.
Cash 7 00

Grenville—G. Bignell.
Cash 7 00

Ionia—I Bennett.
Collected from sundry persons .. 3 50
Col. by Mrs. H. A. Blanchard .. 16 25
" M. A. Titus 5 74
" Lowell 5 78
" M. Tuttle 1 26
Paid by N. Tuttle 9 00
41 53

Lansing—A. J. Dean.
Cash 20 65

De Witt—E. D. Young.
Collected by Lucy Coates 9 75
" Mrs. Musselman .. 2 63
" M. C. Burritt 5 37
" C. Roberts 97
" C. E. Broughton .. 5 35
" Mrs. H. H. Smith .. 4 35
Public collection at Dewitt 9 53
37 96

Duplains—J. S. Harder.
Cash 18 15

Williamston—A. L. Crittenden.
Cash 5 95

Flat River—E. G. Bush.
Cash 50

Total from the District $184 84

From the above amounts Peter Beckwith, of Grand Rapids, Wm McKnight, of Boston, Mrs. Mary Young, Mrs. H. M. Smith and Mis

Lucy Coates, of De Witt, and Mrs. C. Harder, of Duplain, to be made life members of the Conference Missionary Society.

INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT.

Grand River	6 22	Swan Creek	5 15
Jonesville	7 16	Windego	11 94
Bradley Chapel	3 83	Ottawa Colony	8 87
Keche-saring	7 84	Meshimeneken	1 56
Pewanego	6 70		

Total from Indian Mission District $69 27, of which amount $58 05 has been applied on the Mission.

RECAPITULATION.

Marshall District—Cash	342 01	
Money and goods applied	78 10	
		420 11
Coldwater District—Cash	329 58	
Money and goods applied	46 00	
		375 58
Kalamazoo District—Cash	361 24	
Remitted to Chicago	80 00	
		441 24
Grand Rapids District—Cash	179 83	
Goods applied	5 00	
		184 83
Indian Mission District—Cash	6 22	
Applied	53 05	
		59 27

Aggregate Credit.		Aggregate Debt.	
By cash from Stations and Circuits	1,212 76	To Amount paid Carlton & Porter	1,295 02
Money and goods applied or remit'd	262 15	Money and goods applied or remit'd	262 15
Balance in Treasury from last year	50 00	Paid for publishing Minutes	20 00
Annual subscription of members	26 00	Counterfeit money	9 00
Annual collection at Conference	16 26		
Pd. on Mr. Reilly's life membership	19 00		
	$1,586 17		$1,586 17

M. B. CAMBURN, *Treasurer.*

XI. MISCELLANEOUS.

1.—RESOLUTIONS ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

Resolved, 1. That we, as a church, recognize the claims of the American Bible Society upon our sympathies, prayer and liberality as being co-equal with those moral enterprises which distinguish us as a denomination.

Resolved, 2. That on the first Sabbath in February it be the duty of each Minister to present the claims of the American Bible Society to their respective congregations, and take a collection to aid its funds, providing a collection has not been previously taken by the Society's agents.

Resolved, 3. That it be the duty of each Minister to preserve a record of the funds collected by them or the Society's general agents in their respective charges, to be inserted in the Minutes of the Conference: and that the general agents are hereby requested to aid in carrying out the object of this resolution.

Resolved, 4. That we extend to the Society's agents our most cordial co-operation, and will, to the extent of our ability, facilitate the objects of their Mission.

S. STEELE, *Chairman of Com.*

2.—REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The primary aim of our Church is to "spread scriptural holiness over these lands." In the prosecution of this great work, we regard education as an eminent auxiliary. The development of the mind, the acquisition of knowledge and the exercise of talent, are not only in harmony with the perfection of the moral nature, but they furnish increased power to the agencies divinely appointed to extend and strengthen the interest of Zion.

While Christianity diffuses light and awakens in the mind the spirit of inquiry, and urges it forward in the investigation of truth, thus becoming the supporter as well as the originator of education, she derives from it reciprocal aid in prosecuting her great mission in the world.

These truths are not only recognized by our Church, but they are adopted and identified with her policy; and we have great cause for congratulation that the M. E. Church has gone forward in the prosecution of educational enterprizes, founding schools, seminaries and colleges, building, patronizing and endowing them to such an extent as to gain and merit an eminent position as patrons of liberal education.

The enterprises with which we, as a Conference, are more particularly identified, are the Wesleyan Seminary and Albion Female Collegiate Institute, at Albion, and the Garrett Biblical Institute and North Western University, at Evanton, Ill.

The interests of the first have been presented in the report of the Committee appointed for that special purpose. A paper has been referred to us, however, proposing an enterprize in behalf of this Institution which is entitled to our serious consideration, and which we would introduce here.

To the Ministers, Members and friends of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Michigan.

The undersigned, a Committee of Trustees of the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, would respectfully urge upon you the wants of that Institution, and recommend an enterprize which, alike, the interests of sound education and the honor of the Church demand.

This Institution, in connection with the Wesleyan Seminary in the same place, has been established and kept in working order for many years, through great efforts and sacrifice on the part of comparatively a

ew, many of whom have already passed off the stage of action. These efforts have not been in vain. We point to the reports of the successive examining committees appointed by the State, and the thousands who have enjoyed the direct benefits of the Institution, who may be found scattered over this and neighboring States in all the walks of honorable life. We point to the buildings and lands and other appurtenances of the Institution, free from debt, and consecrated for ever to the cause of sound education and religion.

But it is a fact that notwithstanding this success, the Institution now demands and must have pecuniary aid. It is not strange that founded in the infancy of the State and called to pass through much financial embarrassment, and compelled for its own character to employ all the funds at its command to ensure the best working order, it should now demand aid.

With the growth of the State it ought to grow. The fathers having done their work and done it well, the sons also are expected to do their part.

We desire here a college for young ladies, of the very highest order, commensurate with the demands of the age, and the character of the State. To accomplish this we must be willing to do what others in many places are so nobly doing to accomplish similar purposes.

Our proposition is to establish a *Professorship* of Mental and Moral Science in this Institution, to be occupied by the Principal of the Institution, by raising the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000), to be sacredly devoted to this purpose and to no other, and also the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000), the proceeds of which shall be devoted to the support of the Preceptress. We purpose that the monies collected for this purpose be safely funded as fast as collected with the understanding and pledge that no part of its principal or interest shall be employed for any purpose till the fund, by collections and by the addition of interest shall amount to fifteen thousand dollars, be the time more or less: and that then the annual interest be employed for ever. 1st. The interest accruing from ten thousand dollars for the payment of the salary of the Professor of Mental and Moral Science in the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, who also shall be President of the same, and—2. The interest of the remaining five thousand dollars for the payment of the annual salary of the Preceptress of the said Institution.

Such an enterprize is absolutely demanded for the good character and even safety of the Institution. It is feasible. It can be accomplished by less effort than is made in many other parts of our country for similar purposes. It is manifestly proper. It would be unreasonable that

the present generation should accept the half finished enterprizes of their father, and enjoy the benefits of their immature efforts, without completing and perfecting them.

It is safe. By the conditions of the Fund not a single dollar can ever be diverted from its purpose, and the condition annexed (not to use any of it till the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be reached) makes it absolutely sure to succeed.

Brethren and friends, shall this appeal be in vain? Many of you have not been called to do anything for the promotion of this cause. Others are not weary in well doing. We submit the cause to your christian principle and confidently expect success.

E. O. Haven,
W. H. Brockway,
Clinton B. Fisk,
W. H. Collins.

It provides for the endowment of two chairs in the Institute by fifteen thousand dollars by contribution, to be sacredly devoted to this purpose, not a dollar being available on salaries till the whole amount is realized. As no reports are before us from the Institution at Evanston, we can only present the fact as one of general notoriety, that they are still moving on in a career of usefulness and prosperity accelerated by the acquisition of distinguished talent to their respective Boards of Instruction.

We recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That in the general cause of education we recognize a useful auxiliary to the gospel and church, for it an unabated interest.

Resolved, 2. That the Institutions with which we are specially identified ae hereby reassured of our willingness to fulfil our obligations of patronage and support.

Resolved, 3. That we most heartily concur in the plan of raising an additional Endowment Fund for the Albion Collegiate Institute and Seminary and that we will cheerfully aid in carrying it out in our respective charges.

Resolved, 4. That T. H. Sinex, A. M. Fitch and Israel Cogshall be elected Trustees of the North Western University for the next four years. D. Barns and T. H. Jacokes, Visitors to N. W. University, and R. Sapp and F. B. Bangs, Visitors to the Garrett Institute.

3—REPORT ON ALBION FEMALE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE AND WESLEYAN SEMINARY.

The Committee appointed to consider the present state of the Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary at Albion have had the same under consideration and herewith submit their report.

The report of the Trustees has not come before us, the same having been before the Detroit Conference, and acted upon by them, but failing to reach us, we present you such as we have gatherered from other sources, that may be relied on.

The Trustees have secured the services of Rev. T. H. Sinex, late President, of the Female College of Bloomington Indiana, who together with a full and able faculty are indefatigable and successful in their labors. Perhaps at no time was the Institution in a more prosperous condition than at the present, numbering between two and three hundred students in attendance.

The third building is now in course of construction, and is expected to be under roof within a few weeks, and when completed will fill out the original plan of building, which will afford ample accommodation for many years to come.

Your Committee understand in the erection of the new building, none of the endowment fund is used, but from monies specially contributed for this purpose, with an unexpended balance of Insurance money on building destroyed by fire.

The Dining Hall, after paying the expenses for the year, has yielded a small revenue to the Institution. The Halll is now rented to the late Steward Mr. Herrick at three hundred dollars a year.

We proceed to give a statement of the finances based upon thorough investigation of the agent during the past year.

The estimated amount of Property consisting of Seminary College buildings and grounds including Presidents house and village lots	$35000 00
Notes collected by Rev. L. Grant former agent in 1840 and 42 inclusive, now outlawed and considered worthless	23000 00
Notes collected by Dr. Hinman and others on endowment fund considered worthless by bankrupcies, removals, deaths, &c.	22000 00
Notes &c., on endowments fund as above,	28735 00
Interest on the same Oct. 1st, 1856	9109 00
Making a Total,	37944 00
From which we consider as good and reliable 33⅓ per cent. making	12615 00
Notes &c., on endowment fund considered good and reliable. Principal	18 99 00
Interest on the same Oct. 1st, 1856	3274 00
Making a Total of	21573 00
These sums considered good and reliable together with the amount on hand is	35000 00

In order to more thoroughly settle this matter of endowment, the agent during the past year, in his collection of notes given for this purpose, has in a number of instance, found it necessary to call to his assistance, the aid of the law in which in every instance has proved successful which course your committee think should receive the approval of this Conferance, and that he hereby get it.

It must not be disguised however, in order to secure amount stated as good that the most prompt and energetic measures must be taken to secure their collection, especially when we remember, that the *enormous* sum of seventy thousand dollars subscribed for the benefit of this institution is now, considered worthless, a greater portion of which, probably could have been saved to us, had timely and efficient means been used. It is hoped that the Conference will recommend to the Trustees the most vigilant supervision over these matters.

We take pleasure in stating, that in the action of the Detroit Conference in reference to this institution they have evinced great interest and a determination to participate with us in carrying out our educational interests in this State.

They have removed the appointment of that portion of the committee that fell within their bounds, to procure the attention of the charter that both Conferences may be represented in the Institution. Rev'ds. W. H. Collens and E. H. Pitcher, and we hereby recommend the appointment of W. H. Brockaway on said Committee.

The terms of the following persons as Trustees have expired: R. Sapp, Isaac Bennet, John W. Hulin, W. M. McConnell and W. H. B. Dowling. E. O. Haven has resigned, making six in number to be appointed by this Conference.

The Detroit Conference have recommended to us, for election as Trustees the following persons:

C. W. Cobb, Esq.,.....Sheridan, | Rev. Geo. Smith,.....Ann Arbor,
John W. Hulin, Esq.,....Jackson, |

Your committee further recommend the election of Wm. Farley and A. M. Eitch, to fill vacancies occasioned by the expiration of time, and S. W. Walker, Esq., of Kalamazoo to fill Vacancy occasioned by the resignation of E. O. Haven.

The following persons are recommended as visiters to the Institution:

Rev. R. S. Goodman,....Coldwater | Rev. M. A. Daugherty,..W. Pigeon
" Seth Reed,.....Ann Arbor | N. L. Bruckett, Esq.,....Bellevue
" W. H. Perrine,.....Adrian | Rev, B. Robinson,.....Charlotte,
" E. Holdstock,...Battle Creek |

The Trustees have unanimously requested the appointment of Rev. T. H. Sinex as President of the Albion Female Collegiate Institute and Wesleyan Seminary, also:

Rev. C. C. Olds.....Professor Rev. Geo. Bradley.....Agent

Resolved, That, we hereby request the appointment of Rev. T. H. Sinex, as President of the Female Collegiate Institute, and Wesleyan Seminary at Albion, also Rev. C. C. Olds, Prof.; also, Rev. Geo. Bradley, Agent.

Sespectfully submitted.

Coldwater, Oct. 6, 1856. A. M. FITCH, Chairman.

IV.—RESOLUTIONS ON SLAVERY.

Resolved, 1. That we reaffirm the action of this Conference for the last two years on the slavery question.

Resolved, 2. That we endorse the action of the majority of the late General Conference, so as to change the rule on slavery, that no member of our Church shall be allowed to hold a human being in bondage.

Resolved, 3. That we approve the action of the Delegates of this Conference who voted with the majority to change the Rule referred to above.

Resolved, 4. That while we sympathise with our brethren in the border work, and heartily concur in the appropriations made for their support from the Missionary Treasury, we believe it to be their duty, in every possible way, to discontinue slaveholding, and to use their utmost influence to put away the evil from among them.

Reolved, 5. That we deeply deplore that pro-slavery ruffians have been allowed to invade the Territory of Kansas, to shoot down and drive out free State men, with a view to prositute its virgin soil to the foul purposes of slavery.

Resolved 6. That we not only sympathise with our brethren in Kansas, who are suffering unjust and cruel treatment at the hands of pro-slavery mobs and spurious civil officials, but we also say to them, maintain your noble anti-slavery position to the last.

V.—REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

This cause is inseparably connested with the Gospel and its success. We regret to witness so much laxity among the people upon the subject, because indifference here is sin—sin against God and humanity. He who would keep himself pure, and benefit his race, must not only feel upon this subject, but speak, pray, vote, and act. Our Prohibitory Law is nearly a dead letter upon our Statute Books, arising from the backwardness or timidity of the friends of the cause. Your committee therefore recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we will preach upon the subject at least once in the year in all our congregations.

Resolved, 2. We will urge upon our people the propriety of giving it a prominent place in their hearts and prayers.

Resolved, 3. That we will, as citizens, do all things consistent with our ministerial work, to secure at all times a correct vote upon this subject.

Resolved, 4. That we have entire confidence in the principle of Prohibition; and believe it the only security against the evil of which we complain.

Resolved, 5. That we esteem it our duty, both as ministers and as citizens, to urge, from the Pulpit, the Forum, and the firesides of our people, the continued and vigorous support and execution of our Prohibitory Law; and to commence prosecution by complaint in every case of drunkenness coming to our knowledge, in the proper discharge of our ministerial duties.

VI.—REPORT ON BETHEL CAUSE.

Amongst the wants of many in our country, is to be found a class who are sustaining great and important interests in our nation. We refer to the seamen and boatmen of our vast seaboard, lakes and extended line of canals. Their moral and spiritual interests are cared for, and to an extent supplied by the organization known as the "Western Seamen's Friend Society." The object of this association is the moral elevation of those who are immediately connected with the commercial business of our navigable waters, but although by their constitutinn and regulations their mission is preeminently to the sailor and boatman; yet there are thousands who are temporarily or incidentally found within the range of their labors.

The means used are the preaching of the word, distribution of the Bible, religious books and tracts, and the founding of Sabbath Schools.

In the prosecution of this work, we are happy to know they have been successful to some extent. In different parts of the wide extended field through the instrumentality of missionary labor; souls have been converted, and some have been raised from the lowest degradation to bless God that the day of their redemption had come.

Thousands of Bibles and tens of thousands of tracts have been started on their holy mission over the many thoroughfares of our Western States, to bless all who would receive this kind instruction.

This society have, during the six years of its present organization eight houses of worship, and supplied them with ministers of the Gos' pel, while near twice that number are going from place to place preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ. Each succeeding year gives ample proof that their labors are not in vain in the Lord.

The past two years have witnessed seasons of great interest in different points of the work. When we contrast the present with the past

in regard to Sabbath breaking, profanity, intemperance and other kindred vices, we are fully justified in exclaiming "Behold what hath God wrought." Therefore,

Resolved, That we highly approve the objects of the society, and hereby commend it to the cordial co-operation of our people.

A. M. FITCH, Chairman.

VII.—RESOLUTIONS ON QUARTERLY REVIEW.

Resolved, 1. That the appointment of our old and true friend D. D. Whedon, D. D., to the editorship of our Quarterly Review by the general Conference affords us great pleasure and increasing hopes for its future success.

Resolved, 2. That the proposed improvement in the alreado justly esteemed Quartely commends itself to our approbation, and that we will, as a Conference, use our best endeavors to increase its circulation.

VIII.—REPORT ON BUILDING CHURCHES AND PARSONAGES.

Whereas there is great want of symetry and convenience in many of our Churches and Parsonages, and whereas Mr. Kendall, of Boston, has published a work on the subject, therefore

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders of this Conference be requested to bring the subject before each Quarterly Conference and take collections to purchase said work, which shall be the property of the District.

IX.—TIME OF MAKING ANNUAL COLLECTIONS.

Resolved, That we will take the usual Conference collections in our respective charges as follows, viz:

For American Bible Society in February; the Sunday School Union in March; the Tract Cause in May; the Superannuated and Worn out Preachers in August, and for Missions in December.

XII. ALPHABETICAL LIST.

Members and Probationers of the Conference, with Post Office Addresses.

NAMES.	P. O. ADDRESS.
Abbott, N	Marshall
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Bennett, L. M	White River
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Bignell, T. H	Schoolcraft
Billings, A	Albion
Boynton, J	Grand Rapids
Boynton, V. G	Sturgis
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Crane, E	S. Albion
Crawford, R. C	Jackson
Crittenden, A. L	Mason
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Gillett, D. D	Hillsdale
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Holstock, E	Battle Creek
Jackson, H	Ottawa
Jacokes, T. H	Three Rivers
Jennings, J	Battle Creek
Johnston, P. O	Jonesville
Johnston, W. W	Portland
Law, H	Lansing
Lyons, Thos	Charlotte
Mahon, Wm	Lansing
Marksman, P	Grand River
Morgan, H	Coldwater
McKnight, W	Flat River
Mount, N	Moscow
Olds, C. C	Albion
Osborne, S. A	Cooper
Palmer, G. D	Burlington
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Pengelly, R	Eaton Rapids
Piterzel, J. H	Paw Paw
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Sabin, B	Homer
Sapp, R	Galesburgh
Steele, S	Bellevue
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Bush, D	Allegan
Carpenter, M	Matherton
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Clubin, J	Burr Oak
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Coplin, W. M	Charlotte
Corey, M	New Buffalo
Crum, W. W	Grandville
Dougherty, M. A	White Pigeon
Doust, W	Osseo
Gere, E	Penfield
Griffin, J. L	Isabella
Hill, J. T	Gratiot
Jenkins, W. F	Ganges
Kellog, E. L	St. Joseph
Mosher, J	Leonidas
Otis, N. L	Kennyville
Penland, W	Black River
Savage, J. R	Grand Rapids
Stafford, W	Colona
Sumner, D. W	Sparta
Williams, P	Wayland

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I. CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION.

The Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, commenced its twenty-second session in the village of Lansing, Sept. 16, 1857, at 9 o'clock A. M., Bishop B. Waugh, presiding.

The Conference was opened by reading the Scriptures, singing, and prayer by the President.

R. C. Crawford was elected Secretary.

The following Standing Committees were then appointed, viz.:

On Public Worship—H. Law, Wm. Mahon and G. Bradley.

Conference Stewards—J. H. Pitezel, M. B. Camburn, and R. Pengelly.

Mission Auditing Committee—F. B. Bangs, J. Boynton and I. N. Thoms.

Committee on Education—N. Abbott, T. H. Jacokes, T. H. Sinex, E. Crane, S. A. Osborn and P. O. Johnson.

Committee on Temperance—E. Holdstock, G. Bradley, A. Wakefield, L. W. Earl and A. L. Crittenden.

Committee on Bible Cause—R. Sapp, S. C. Woodard and V. G. Boynton.

Committee on Publication of the Minutes—J. K. Gillett, J. W. Robinson and E. H. Day.

Committee on Tract Cause—W. C. Comfort, J. T. Robe and W. W. Johnson.

Committee on Slavery—S. Steele, I. Bennett, J. K. Gillett, T. H. Jacokes, T, H. Sinex and J. E. McAlister.

Committee on Statistics—A. A. Dunton, N. L. Brockway and J. S. Harder.

Committee on Sunday Schools — N. Fassett, T. Lyon and B. F. Doughty.

Committee on Conference Seminary—H. Morgan, F. B. Bangs, I. C. Abbott, I. Bennett, D. Thomas and G. Bradley.

Committee on Parsonages—E. D. Young, G. W. Hoag and F. Glass.

Committee on Post Offices and Quarterly Review—L. M. Bennett, and R. Sapp.

Committee on Memoirs—J. H. Pitezel.

II. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1. Who have been admitted on trial this year?

Answer—A. C. Hazzard, G. W. Chapin, G. Madison, J. Fowler, Jr., L. Gee, A. W. Torry, R. D. McArthy, C. B. Holbrook, M. I. Smith, A. Coplin, T. F. George, Chas. Chick, Jr., John Hoyt, L. M. Edmonds.

Question 2. Who remain on trial?

Answer—A. Gore, A. T. Ayers, W. W. Crum, L. J. Griffin, Wm. Doust, W. C. H. Bliss, J. I. Buel, J. Mosher, Wm. M. Coplin, Milo Cory, E. L. Kellogg, J. M. Pratt, H. P. Barker, W. Stafford, W. F. Jenkins.

Question 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer—N. L. Otis, J. Clubine, J. Braggins, T. J. Hill, M. A. Daugherty, Thos. Clark, T. J. Congdon, M. Carpenter, A. Beach.

Question 4. Who are the Deacons?

Answer—N. L. Otis,* J. Clubine,* J. Braggins,* T. J. Hill,* M. A. Daugherty,* T. J. Congdon,* M. Carpenter,* A. Beach,* Thos. Lyon, T. Clark, N. L. Brockway, G. D. Palmer, E. C. Chambers, W. McKnight, A. L. Crittenden, D. D. Gillet, I. N. Thoms, I. S. Finch, L. M. Bennett, H. Jackson, Peter Marksman.

Question 5. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

Answer—John W. Cawthorn.

Question 6. Who have located this year?

Answer—A. M. Fitch, and G. D. Palmer.

Question 7. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Those marked thus * were ordained this year.

Answer—None.

Question 8. Who are the superanuated or worn out Precahers?

Answer—A. Billings, B. Sabin, H. Hall, T. B. Granger, I. S. Finch, I. Taylor.

Question 9. Who have been expelled from the connection this year?

Answer—None.

Question 10. Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

Answer—None.

Question 11. Were all the Preacher's characters examined?

Answer—This was strictly attended to by calling over their names before the Conference.

Question 12. Who have died this year?

Answer—Seth B. Finch. See Memoir.

Question 13. What is the number of members, and what of Probationers in Society?

Answer—Members, 10,194. Probatieners 1,532.

Question 14. What amounts are necessary to meet the claims of the Superanuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of Preachers, and to make up the deficiency of those who have not obtained their regular allowances on their charges?

Answer—On the claim of effective men,	$6,021 00
Claims of Superanuated Preachers, Widows and Orphans,	1,171 00
Total,	$7,195 00

Question 15. What has been collected on the above accounts, and how has it been applied?

Answer—From the several charges as a Fifth collection,	$271 97
From Chartered Fund,	20 00
Total,	$291 97

This amount has been distributed as follows, viz.:

To A. Billings,	$49 72
To H. Hall,	59 66
To Mrs. King,	24 86
To Mrs. Ercanbrack,	24 86
To Mrs. Brakeman,	24 86
To Mrs. Staples,	29 52
To I. Taylor,	53 69
To S. B. Finch,	24 86
Total,	$291 97

The receipts from the Parkhurst fund are $13 50. Distributed as follows:

To Mrs. King,	$3 10
To Mrs. Ercanbrack,	3 10
To Mrs. Brakeman,	2 10
To Mrs. Staples,	3 84

Question 16. What has been contributed for Missions? what for Sunday School Union? what for the Tract Cause? and what for the American Bible Society?

Answer—For Missions, $1,896 31. For Sunday School Union, $155 92. For the Tract Cause, $90 97. Bible Society, $411 52.

Question 17. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT—JOSEPH JENNINGS, P. E.

Marshall—Myron A. Daugherty.
Albion—Francis B. Bangs.
Battle Creek—E. Holdstock.
LeRoy—G. W. Hoag.
Hastings—J. Odell.
Woodland—M. J. Smith.
Parma—I. C. Abbott.
Marengo—D. Thomas.
Bellevue—T. J. Congden.
Prairieville—S. A. Osborn.
Galesburg—S. Steele.
Burlington—A. T. Ayers.
South Albion—M. B. Camburn, E. Crane.
Middleville—W. Stafford.
Penfield—J. Mosher.
Leonidas—L. Gee.

Thomas H. Sinex, President, and Carmi C. Olds, Professor in the Albion Female College and Wesleyan Seminary, both members of the Albion Quarterly Conference.

COLDWATER DISTRICT—DAVID BURNS, P. E.

Coldwater—N. Abbott.
Girard—J. I. Buel.
Centreville—B. F. Doughty.
Three Rivers—T. H. Jacokes.
Constantine—L. W. Earl.
Mottville—A. W. Torry.
White Pigeon—D. D. Gillet.
Sturgis—J. E. McAlister.
Burr Oak—John Clubine.
Reading—W. Doust.
Quincy—S. C. Woodard.
California—A. C. Hazzard.
Jonesville—N. Fassett.
Hillsdale—J. Boynton.
Osseo—E. C. Chambers, A. Coplin.
Litchfield—I. N. Thoms.
Allen and Union City—To be supplied.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—I. COGSHALL, P. E.

Kalamazoo—W. C. Comfort.
Oshteme—S. Hendrickson.
Schoolcraft—T. H. Bignal.
Lawton—W. W. Crum.
Paw Paw—J. H. Pitezel.
Decatur—E. H. Day.
Dowagiac—To be supplied.
Cassopolis—P. O. Johnson.
Samnerville—J. T. Robe.
Edwardsburg—G. Bignal.
Niles—J. K. Gillet.
Buchanan—J. W. Robinson.
New Buffalo—Milo Corey.
St. Joseph—W. C. H. Bliss.
Berrien—T. F. George.
Coloma—E. L. Kellogg. One to be supplied.
Black River—J. Hoyt.
Otsego—V. G. Boynton, G. W. Chapin.

Francis D. Hemingway, Principal of the Preparatory Department of the Garrett Biblical Institute, and Member of the Niles Quarterly Conference.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—H. PENFIELD, P. E.

Grand Rapids—East Charge, H. Morgan.
" West Charge, I. Bennett.
Grandville—L. M. Bennett.
Wayland—A. Beach.
Allegan—D. Bush.
Ganges—W. F. Jenkins.
Sparta—J. W. Cawthorn.
Lamont—A. Wakefield.
Muskegon—J. M. Pratt.
White Haven—R. D. McArthy.
Newaygo—G. Madison.
Laphamville—F. Glass.
Greenville—A. A. Dunton.
Flat River—W. McKnight. One to be supplied.
Boston—T. Clarke. One to be supplied.
Ionia—T. Lyon.
Portland—W. W. Johnson.
North Port and Traverse City—L. J. Griffin.
Old Mission and Elk Rapids—To be supplied.

LANSING DISTRICT—HIRAM LAW, P. E.

Lansing—W. H. Brockway, N. L. Brockway.
Grand Ledge—J. S. Harder.
Matherton—M. Carpenter, C. Chick, Jr.
Gratiot—C. D. Holdbrook.
Duplain—N. L. Otis, W. M. Coplin.
Dewitt—T. J. Hill, J. Fowler.
Mason—A. L. Crittenden.
Okemos—H. P. Barker.
Kinneville—L. M. Edmonds.
Eaton Rapids—R. Pengelly.
Charlotte—E. D. Young, J. Braggins.
Jackson—R. Sapp.
Moscow—N. Mount.
Wheatland—A. Gore.

Riley C. Crawford, Chaplain to the Michigan State Prison, Member of the Jackson Quarterly Conference.

Wm. Mahon, transferred to the Detroit Conference and stationed at Pontiac.

Lewis R. Fisk, transferred from Detroit Conference, Professor in the Michigan State Agricultural College, and Member of the Lansing Quarterly Conference.

ISABELLA INDIAN MISSION—G. BRADLEY, P. E.

Isabella Mission—G. Bradley, H. Jackson.
Pesahgening Mission—P. Marksman.
Oceana Mission—To be supplied.

Question 18. Where shall our next Conference be held?

Answer—At Kalamazoo.

III. COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

I.—TRAVELING PREACHERS.

1ST YEAR—R. Pengelly, J. W. Robinson, N. Fassett, A. A. Dunton.

2D YEAR—I. Bennett, V. G. Boynton, G. Bignal, P. O. Johnson.

3D YEAR—E. H. Day, T. H. Jacokes, W. C. Comfort, E. D. Young.

4TH YEAR—H. Morgan, J. Boynton, M. B. Camburn, J. K. Gillet.

II.—LOCAL PREACHERS FOR DEACONS ORDERS.

S. C. Woodard, J. T. Robe, and A. Wakefield.

III.—LOCAL DEACONS FOR ELDERS ORDERS.

D. Thomas, S. A. Osborn, N. Mount.

The following resolutions were adopted, viz:

Resolved, 1. That the Committees and Classes of the 1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th years be required to meet at the seat of the Conference on Tuesday next preceding the session, at 9 o'clock A. M., and that the Local Preachers and Deacons meet their committees on the first Friday of the session at 2 o'clock P. M.

Resolved, 2. That that those Praachers on trial who could not be present for examination in the first years' course of study, be allowed to be examined on the 1st and 2d years' course of study at the next session of Conference.

IV. DELEGATES TO ECCLESIASTICAL BODIES.

Presbyterian Synod of Michigan. The Minister stationed at Coldwater.

Congregational Association. The Minister stationed at Hillsdale.

Baptist Convention. The Minister stationed at Coldwater, and presiding Elder of Coldwater District.

V. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

I.—CONFERENCE OFFICERS OF THE S. S. SOCIETY.

President—S. STEELE. *Secretary*—J. H. PITEZEL.
Vice President—D. THOMAS. *Treasurer*—V. G. BOYNTON.

DIRECTORS.

E. Holdstock,	O. C. Comstock,	I. C. Abbott,	J. Z. Kimpkins,
D. Burns,	S. W. Walker,	W. C. Comfort,	E. J. House,
E. H. Day,	Thos. Hamilton,	J. Boynton,	H. A. Chapin,
R. Pengelly,	H. Leader,	H. Morgan,	C. B. Fisk,
M. A. Daugherty,	H. Sabin,	R. C. Crawford,	J. W. Hulin.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made their report, including the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1, That our Sunday Schools, next to the preaching of the word, are the most efficient means of spreading gospel truth.

Resolved, 2, That our Sunday School publications are not only as cheap, but their literary and religious character is unexcelled by any similar publications.

Resolved, 3, That we rejoice in the success that has attended our Sunday School Union, and pledge ourselves to renewed effort to sustain it, and increase its prosperity.

VI. TRACT ENTERPRIZE.

I.—OFFICERS OF CONFERENCE SOCIETY.

President—The President of the Conference.

Vice Presidents—T. H. SINEX, E. CRANE,
I. BENNETT, J. H. PITEZEL,
W. C. COMFORT.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

N. ABBOTT, J. W. ROBINSON,
N. FASSETT, S. A. OSBORN,
W. W. JOHNSON.

Recording Secretary—A. A. Dunton.

Corresponding Secretary—M. A. Daugherty.

Treasurer—E. Holdstock.

To preach Anniversary Sermon—S. Steele.

Speakers at Anniversary Meeting—J. K. Gillet and L. W. Earl; *alternates*—E. H. Day, and P. O. Johnson.

Report of Committee on Tract Cause, would respectfully report that we are more than ever impressed with the importance of having all the families of our people well supplied with our own excellent books and periodicals, and also of scattering broadcast among the irreligious portion of our population the means of religious knowledge; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we will renew our efforts, and labor as far as possible, to make the sales of our books and the circulation of our periodicals commensurate with their own excellence, and the necessities of our people.

Resolved, 2. That we will preach in all our congregations on the importance of circulating a religious literature, and wherever practicable take collections for this purpose; one half of which shall be expended for Tracts to distribute within our own bounds, and the remainder shall be forwarded to the Tract Society of the M. E. Church.

VII. PARSONAGES.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of parsonages beg leave to report that,

Whereas, It is not only an advantage pecuniarily, but absolutely necessary for the comfort and convenience of those preachers who have families, that each Circuit and Station be furnished with a Parsonage; and

Whereas, Of the eigety-one charges belonging to this Conference we find by the Statistical Report but thirty-four are furnished with Parsonages. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we will use every laudable means to secure to the M. E. Church a Parsonage, with ground sufficient for a garden, for every charge in the Conference.

Resolved, 2. That we will labor to have each Parsonage furnished with all necessary heavy furniture, such as "stoves," "bedsteads," &c.

Resolved, 3. That in the division of Circuits, measures shall be taken to furnish at once a comfortable Parsonage for each part of the Circuit so divided.

Resolved, 4. That the Presiding Elders be, and they are hereby requested to co-operate with the preachers in their respective Districts in carrying out the above resolutions.

VIII.—MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

I.—OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

President—H. Penfield, *Treasurer*—M. B. Comborn.

Vice President—F. B. Bangs. *Secretary*—J. W. Robinson.

Managers—I. Bennett, G. Bradley, E. H. Day, J. Boynton, J. T. Robe.

Speakers at the next Anniversary—T. H. Jacokes, C. B. Fisk, and N. Abbott, alternate.

To Preach Anniversary Sermon—H. Penfield, T. H. Jacokes, alternate.

II.—MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

TO DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Marshall District—Middleville,	$ 40 00	Grand Rapids Dist.—Newaygo,	$ 50 00
Coldwater District—Hillsdale,	135 00	Greenville,	40 00
Kalamazoo District—Lawton,	50 00	Laphamville,	25 00
New Buffalo,	60 00	Northport,	50 00
Berrien,	50 00	Lansing District—Presiding Elder,	150 00
Dowagiac,	50 00	Gratiot,	150 00
Grand Rapins Dist.—Presiding Elder,	50 00	Matherton,	25 00
Sparta	45 00		
Total to Domestic Missions,			$1,000 00

TO INDIAN MISSIONS.

Isabella—Missionary Salary,	$550 00	Pesabgening—Missionary's Salary,	$350 00
" Trav. expenses,	150 00	" Trav. ex.,	50 00
Assistant's Salary,	350 00	Oceana—Missionary's Salary,	350 00
" Trav. expenses,	50 00	" Trav. expenses,	50 00
Total to Indian Missions,			$1,900 00

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society in account with M. B. Camburn.

Cr., by amount received.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Marshall—N. Abbott,		$40 00
Albion—F. B. Bangs,		
Public collection,	$46 70	
From Ladies' M S. of Albion Female College,	15 00	
From Albion Sunday School,	3 30	
		$65 00
Battle Creek—E. Holdstock.		
Collected by Miss Julia Snow,	10 00	
Collected by Miss E. Lowrey,	10 00	
Public collection,	17 00	
		$37 00
Leroy—G. W. Hoag.		
Collected by Orissa J Quick, Eleanor J. Trumble, Nancy J. Wood, Sarah Ann Mason, and Mrs. Eliza B. Anderson,		90 50
Hastings—E. H. Day,		13 00
Parma—N. L. Brockway.		
To be applied to Indian Missions in Michigan Conference,		41 70
Marengo—John Braggins,		15 00
$5 of this amount to be appropriated to German Missions.		
Bellevue—S. Steele,		$24 25
Galesburgh—R. Sapp,		20 00
Burlington—J. Odell,		5 00
South Albion—M. B. Camburn and E. Crane.		
Col. by Miss A. Lyman,	$3 24	
" E. French,	6 93	
" F. Anderson,	5 55	
Public collection at S. Albion,	4 18	
Col. by Geo. Robertson,	2 50	
" Cath. Drake,	6 05	
" Mrs. Emily Morrill,	8 17	
" " Susan Owen,	2 37	
" " Eliza Ball,	2 35	
" " Emily Eslow,	3 45	
" " Lorissa Benham,	13 54	
Paid by O. West,	10 00	
		68 33
Middleville—L. Gee,		3 00
Leonidas—J. Mosher,		8 00
		$430 78

COLDWATER DISTRICT.

Coldwater—H. Morgan.		
Applied for Miss. Advocates,	$16 00	
Cash,	159 00	
		$175 00
Girard—N. Fassett,		18 47
Centreville—B. F. Doughty,		20 00
Three Rivers—T. H. Jacokes.		
Forwarded to New York,	$20 00	
Cash,	40 00	
		60 00
Constantine—T. B. Granger,		$9 00
White Pigeon—M. A. Daugherty,		49 00
Sturgis—V. G. Boynton,		10 40
Quincy—L. W. Earl,		4 00
Reading—J. I. Buel,		9 50
Jonesville—I. N. Thoms,		4 92
Osseo—D. Burns,		15 60
Litchfield—S. C. Woodard,		10 63
		$386 42

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

Kalamazoo—W. C. Comfort.		
Col. by Miss Mary E. Wilcox,	$16 73	
" " Mary E. Sweet,	12 25	
" " L. D. Howard,	7 87	
" " R. Brownell,	4 57	
" " Phebe Beckwith,	3 00	
" Kalamazoo S. School,	5 32	
" Portage S. School,	2 89	
Public collection,	11 56	
Miss Kittie Comfort's Missionary Box,	71	
Collected at the Sunday School Concert in Kalamazoo and aplied to the Mission School at Ottawa, Mich,	9 00	
		$73 92
Schoolcraft—T. H Bignal,		21 00
Paw Paw—J. H. Pitezell.		
Public collection,	$11 45	
Paw Paw Sunday School, to be appropriated to Missions in Africa,	6 00	
		17 45
Decatur—F. Glass,		4 00
Sumnerville—J. T. Robe.		
Paid by J. T Robe,	$50 00	
Collections,	22 00	
		72 00
Edwardsburgh—G. Bigual.		
Col. by Mary E. Rogers,	$18 92	
" Selinda Howard,	11 33	
" Sophia Dehaven,	6 10	
" Elizabeth McMickle,	12 33	
" Ann Harrison,	1 41	
" Mary Carlisle,	3 75	
Col. by Margaret Hopkins,	$12 32	
" Elizabeth Brickle,	9 00	
" Caroline Worden,	7 15	
Other collections,	45 37	
		127 68
Niles—J. K. Gillet,		55 83
$3 of this money to be applied to Missions in Africa.		
Buchanan—J. W. Robinson.		
Collection at Buchanan,	$26 00	
" Reserve,	13 00	
" Enterprize,	4 00	
The amount from Reserve and Enterprize to be applied to the Indian Missions of Mich. Conference.		
Collection at Terre Coupe,	6 00	
Eli Egbert,	37 00	
B. M. Reddisey, to apply to African Missions,	5 00	
E. Smead, to apply on Indian Missions in Mich. Con.,	1 00	
Additional,	1 00	
		93 00
New Buffalo—M Cory,		5 00
St. Joseph—W. C. H. Bliss.		
Forwarded to New York,	$40 25	
Cash,	5 00	
		45 25
Ganges—W. F. Jenkins,		5 00
Cooper—S. A. Osborn,		8 00
Dowagiac—I. C. Abbott,		30 53
		$559 58

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.

Grand Rapids, Eastern Charge—J. Boynton.		
Col. by Miss H. Ward,	$3 86	
" " G. Hankerson,	3 78	
Public collection at Paris,	3 14	
Col. by Miss C Beckwith	7 00	
" Mrs. Eliza A. Simonds,	3 25	
Public collection in the city,	12 25	
		$33 25
Allegan—D. Bush.		
Public collection,	$7 20	
Col. by Mary Carter,	4 28	
" Mary Brown,	2 00	
" Desdemonia Wilson,	7 75	
" Sarah Brownell,	4 88	
		26 11
Newaygo—T. J. Congdon,		2 45
Laphamville—J. W. Cawthorn,		$4 00
Greenville—A. A. Dunton		3 00
Flat River—W. McKnight,		10 12
Boston—T. Clark,		4 06
Ionia—L. Bennett.		
Paid by Nelson Tuttle,	$10 00	
Col. by Miss Mary Tuttle,	3 14	
" Mrs H. A. Blanchard,	20 55	
" Mrs. Louisa Lovell,	15 63	
" Jane Gates,	14 10	
Sundries,	1 08	
		64 50
Portland—W. W. Johnson,		18 07
		$165 57

LANSING DISTRICT.

Lansing—W. Mahon,		$18 25
Grand Ledge—H. P. Barker,		18 45
Matherton—M. L. Carpenter,		6 70
Gratiot—T. J. Hill,		4 00
Duplain—J. S. Harder.		
Col. by Mrs. M. Chapman,	$6 14	
" Mrs. L. J. Baker,	6 16	
" Mrs. J. N. Littler,	4 50	
Public collection,	1 80	
From Miss Sewing Society,	8 22	
Goods at Duplain of Female Missionary Society,	15 00	
		41 82
Dewitt—E. D. Young.		
Col. by Francis M. Boughton,	$3 71	
" Mary Musselman,	10 00	
" Sarah Blood,	5 00	
1 gold ring, by Esther Hildreth,	1 00	
		19 68
Mason—A. L. Crittenden,		20 00
Kinneville—N. L. Otis,		10 00
Eaton Rapids—R. Pengelly,		10 50
Charlotte—T. Lyon,		6 51
Jackson—G. Bradley,		19 00
Moscow—N. Mount,		11 30
Wheatland—A. T. Ayers,		10 00
		$196 91

RECAPITULATION.

Marshall District—Cash,		$430 78
Coldwater District—Cash,	$350 42	
Applied for Missionary Advocates,	16 00	
Forwarded to New York,	20 00	
		386 42
Kalamazoo District—Cash,	$510 01	
Applied,	9 00	
Forwarded to New York,	40 25	
		559 26
Grand Rapids District—Cash,		165 57
Lansing District—Cash,	$180 91	
Goods subject to order,	16 00	
		196 91

Aggregate Debt.		Aggregate Credit.	
To J. Porter's receipt,	$80 00	Collect'd from Circuits and Stations,	$1,738 94
" " for bad money,	37 00	Conference collection,	12 35
To paid for publishing the minutes,	20 00	Rec'd on proposition to make Gov.	
To money forwarded to New York,	60 25	Bingham life member of Parent	
To goods Subject to order,	16 00	Society,	21 50
Remitted to T. Carlton,	1,559 54		
	$1,772 79		$1,772 79

M B. CAMBURN. *Treasurer.*

From the sums reported from the various Charges, the following persons are made life members of the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, and of the Missionary Society of the Michigan Annual Conference, as follows:

MEMBERS OF THE PARENT SOCIETY.	MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE SOCIETY.
Marshall—John H. Wells.	Battle Creek—Julia Snow.
Jane M. Johnson.	Esther Lowrey.
Albion—Laura Morgan.	Leroy—Mary J. Wood.
Susannah Triggs.	Sarah Ann Mason.
Leroy—Orissa J. Quick.	Betsey Mills.
Eleanor J. Trumble.	Mrs. Eliza B. Anderson.

Coldwater—Rev. R. S. Goodman.
Mrs. E. Goodman.
Mrs. Mary Sprague.
Alonzo Waterman.
Three Rivers—John Arney.
White Pigeon—M. A. Daugherty.
Sumnerville—Theodore M. Robe.
Maria Robe.
St. Joseph—Nathan Weston.
Gould Parish.
Hastings—Amanda I. Barnum.
Parma—Aurilla Sutton.
Olive Landon.
Galesburgh—C. S. Innis.
South Albion—Mrs. Marietta Todd.
Louisa Benham.
Centreville—Mrs. C. Doughty.
Miss Maria Keech.
Three Rivers—Jonas Fisher.
Samuel Millard.
Michael Hower.
Mrs. Hower.
Sumnerville—J. T. Robe.
Flat River—Lewis G. McKnight.
Kinneville—Miss H. H. Hastings.
Duplain—Mrs. Nancy Paine.
Mary Gates.

IX.—STATISTICAL TABLES.

I. STATISTICS OF MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.	
		Claims.	Receipts	Claims.	Receipts.
MARSHALL DIS'T.	J. Jennings,	$550 00	$550 00	100 00	100 00
Marshall,	Norman Abbott,	540 00	540 00	P.	
Albion,	F. B. Bangs,	600 00	515 00	P.	
Battle Creek,	E. Holdstock,	550 00	500 00	P.	
Leroy,	G. W. Hoag,	338 00	338 00	12 00	12 00
Hastings,	E. H. Day,	426 00	426 00	P.	
Parma,	N. L. Brockway,	416 00	390 00	P.	
Marengo,	John Braggin,	400 00	255 00	15 00	15 00
Marengo,	A. W. Bradley,	150 00	150 00		
Bellevue,	Salmon Steele,	496 00	320 00		
Galesburg,	R. Sapp,	471 00	471 00	P.	
Burlington,	J. Odell,	520 00	485 00	15 00	15 00
South Albion,	M. B. Camburn,	415 00	415 00	P.	
South Albion,	E. Crane,	415 00	300 00		
Middleville,					
Penfield,	A. Gore,	324 00	196 00	P.	
Union City,					
Leonidas,	J. Mosher,	354 00	167 00	52 00	52 00
	T. H. Sinex,	700 00	700 00	150 00	150 00
	C. C. Olds,	550 00	550 00		
		8,725 00	7,244 00	344 00	344 00
COLDWATER DIS.	David Burns, P. E.	$525 00	$550 00	125 00	125 00
Coldwater,	H. Morgan,	500 00	500 00	P.	
Girard,	N. Fassett,	400 00	400 00	P.	

Centreville,	B. F. Doughty,	450 00	450 00	P.	
Three Rivers,	T. H. Jacokes,	427 00	427 00	P.	
Constantine,	T. B. Granger,	450 00	450 00	P.	
Mottville,	A. W. Torry,	300 00	300 00		
White Pigeon,	M. A. Daugherty,	500 00	500 00	P.	
Sturgis,	V. G. Boynton,	457 00	320 00		
Burr Oak,	J. Clubine, Jr.,	220 00	220 00		
Quincy,	L. W. Earl,	325 00	325 00	75 00	75 00
Reading,	J. I. Buel,	371 00	371 00	25 00	25 00
California,	E. C. Chambers,	390 00	390 00		
Jonesville,	I. N. Thoms,	236 00	236 00		
Hillsdale,	D. D. Gillet,	400 00	400 00	P.	
Oseco,	I. S. Finch,	390 00	244 00	P.	
Oseco,	William Doust,	500 00	188 00		
Litchfield,	S. C. Woodard,	386 00	386 00	P.	
		7,087 00	6,657 00	225 00	225 00
KALAMAZOO DIS.	I. Cogshall, P. E.,	$700 00	$700 00	100 00	100 00
Kalamazoo,	W. C. Comfort,	525 00	525 00	P.	
Ostemo,	A. Beach,	349 00	349 00	51 00	51 00
Schoolcraft,	T. H. Bignal,	432 00	432 00	76 00	76 00
Paw Paw,	J. H. Pitezell,	425 00	310 00	70 00	50 00
Decatur,	F. Glass,	400 00	160 00	50 00	50 00
Decatur,	S. Rogers,	400 00	200 00		
Summerville,	J. T. Robe,	600 00	500 00	P.	
Edwardsburg,	G. Bignal,	473 00	473 00	P.	
Niles,	J. R. Gillet,	544 00	544 00	P.	
Buchanan,	J. W. Robinson,	450 00	450 00	P.	
New Buffalo,	Milo Corey,	369 00	369 00	P.	
St. Joseph,	W. C. Bliss,	365 00	289 00	20 00	20 00
St. Joseph,	E. L. Kellogg,	185 00	130 00		
Coloma,	W. Stafford,	449 00	282 00	P.	
Coloma,	Thos. H. Jackway,	125 00	125 00		
Black River,	Wm. Penland,	414 00	280 00	P.	
Ganges,	Wm. F. Jenkins,	400 00	310 00	12 00	12 00
Otsego,	S. Hendrickson,				
Cooper,	S. A. Osborn,	424 00	275 00		
		8,029 00	6,703 00	379 00	359 00
GRAND RAPIDS D.	H. Penfield, P. E.	$600 00	$448 00	100 00	100 00
Grand Rapids,	J. Boynton,	554 00	554 00	P.	
Second Charge,	J. R. Savage,	475 00	475 00	75 00	75 00
Greenville,	W. W. Crum,	503 00	214 00	25 00	25 00
Wayland,	P. Williams,				
Allegan,	D. Bush,	485 00	485 00	75 00	75 00
Lamont,	A. Wakefield,	464 00	387 00	P.	
Newaygo,	T. J. Congdon,	448 00	384 00		
White River,	L. M. Bennett,	410 00	165 00	P.	

Laphamville,	J. W. Cawthorn,	400 00	250 00	P.	
Greenville,	A. A. Dunton,	392 00	320 00	50 00	50 00
Flat River,	Wm. McKnight,	350 00	240 00	P.	
Flat River,	S. H. Smith,	177 00	122 00		
Boston,	Thos. Clark,	350 00	176 00	36 00	36 00
Boston,	R. Rhodes,	170 00	79 00		
Ionia,	J. Bennett,	600 00	500 00	P.	
Portland,	W. W. Johnson,	400 00	400 00	P.	
Muskegon,	J. M. Pratt,	625 00	625 00	P.	
		7,403 00	5,950 00	361 00	361 00
LASING DISTRICT.	H. Law, P. E.	$685 00	$467 00		
Lansing,	Wm. Mahon,	450 00	450 00	P.	
Grand Ledge,	H. P. Barker,	350 00	229 00	P.	
Matherton,	M. Carpenter,	350 00	350 00	30 00	30 00
Gratiot,	T. J. Hill,	260 00	104 00		
Duplain,	J. S. Harder,	329 00	290 00	P.	
Dewitt,	E. D. Young,	505 00	342 00	P.	
Mason,	A. L. Crittenden,	525 00	325 00	50 00	50 00
Kinneville,	N. L. Otis,	325 00	325 00	50 00	50 00
Eaton Rapids,	R. Pengelly,	450 00	350 00	65 00	65 00
Charlotte,	Thomas Lyon,	400 00	300 00	P.	
Charlotte,	W. M. Coplin,	375 00	275 00	25 00	25 00
Jackson,	George Bradley,	400 00	400 00	90 00	90 00
Jackson,	R. C. Crawford,	500 00	500 00		
Moscow,	N. Mount,	400 00	300 00	P.	
Whiteland,	A. T. Ayers,	288 00	214 00	21 00	21 00
		6,592 00	5,221 00	331 00	331 00
INDIAN M. DIS'T.	W. H. Brockway,	$600 00	$600 00		
Jonesville,	P. O. Johnson,	550 00	550 00		
Isabella,	L. J. Griffin,	250 00	250 00		
Isabella,	J. Elliott,		40 00		
Grand River,	P. Marksman,	325 00	325 00	P.	
Ottawa Colony,	D. Thomas,	500 00	500 00		
Ottawa Colony,	H. Jackson,	325 00	325 00		
		2,550 00	2,590 00		

RECAPITULATION.

Marshall District,	8725 00	7244 00	344 00	344 00
Coldwater District,	7087 00	6657 00	225 00	225 00
Kalamazoo District,	8029 00	6703 00	379 00	359 00
Grand Rapids District,	7403 00	5950 00	361 00	361 00
Lansing District,	6592 00	5221 00	331 00	331 00
Indian Mission District,	2550 00	2590 00		
	40386 00	34365 00	1640 00	1620 00

II. GENERAL STATISTICS.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. P'ch'rs.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonag's	Probable Value.	Conf'rence Claimants.	Mission'ry Society.	Tract Society.	Bible So'y.	Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library.
MARSHALL DISTRICT.																			
Marshall,	135	1	10			2	1	10,000	1	800		40 00				1	24	160	350
Albion,	160	2	5	2	3	2	1	4,000	1	1,200	5 00	60 00			4 00	1	15	170	250
Battle Creek,	165		11	2	5		1	1,000	1	1,500	5 97	37 25		17 87		1	20	84	300
LeRoy,	155		35	1	37						10 35	105 50	3 00	21 90		5	35	174	535
Hastings,	272	2	30	2					1	250	7 34	13 00				7	35	150	600
Parma,	177	4	30	5	6		4	4,800	1	700	4 93	41 69	38	27 72	50	3	20	100	500
Marengo,	105		38	3								15 00	2 00		6 00	4	20	100	300
Bellevue,	167	3	18	3	3	5	1	1,500			3 00					7	78	230	1000
Galesburgh,	177	5	7	6	8		2	3,000	1	800	11 06	20 25		5 63		5	60	240	550
Burlington,	130	1	16		2	3	2	1,500				5 00				3	20	75	300
South Albion,	274	6	22	3	26	3	5	4,500	1	600		68 28				7	50	155	800
Middleville,	79		37									3 00				3	17	55	135
Penfield,	126	2	5	1					1	225						4	30	85	500
Union City,																			
Leonidas,	115		28	1			2	1,600				8 00				4	54	216	603
	2237	26	292	29	100	15	19	31,900	8	6,075	47 65	417 07	5 38	73 12	10 50	55	478	1994	6773
COLDWATER DISTRICT.																			
Coldwater,	171	2	19		10	5	1	5,000	1	1,200	11 70	175 00	20 00		35 00	4	50	500	800
Girard,	106		22	1		2	1	1,300	1	250	4 05	18 47	2 37		2 34	4	30	110	556
Centreville,	135	1	12	5	2	3	2	4,000	1	600	7 00	20 00		18 00	6 75	3	32	134	538
Three Rivers,	200	3	5	2			2	2,000	2	1,100	5 00	60 00		18 00	8 00	3	25	220	860
Constantine,																			
Mottville,	100	3	50		15		1	1,000						3 00		3	25	130	500
White Pigeon,	92		14	1	12	5	1	2,000	1	1,000	4 39	49 00	6 00	36 00	5 00	3	30	220	500
Sturgis,	70	2	1	2			1	1,000	1	700	4 15	10 40				1	12	75	160
Burr Oak,	60	2	4	2	2	1										2	14	60	100
Quincey,	179		6	4	10		1	3,000			2 00	4 00			1 13	1	10	50	300
Reading,	60		6	1			1	1,200			1 62	4 46		1 00	1 19	2	12	60	140

California,	137	2	18	2	8											5	46	147	314
Jonesville,	80	2	5	1		6	2	2,500			4 49	4 92				1	12	35	265
Hillsdale,	75						1	2,000	1	800						1	6	50	300
Osceo,	232		54	4															
Litchfield,	105	1	12	2	2	1	1	600	1	500	4 04	10 62				3	21	118	550
Allen,	74	1	16		6	1	1	1,000						4 50					
	1876	19	244	27	67	24	16	26,000	9	6,150	48 34	556 87	28 37	80 50	59 41	36	325	1909	5883
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.																			
Kalamazoo,	167	5	20		8	5	1	3,000	1	2,000	13 58	73 92	8 00	18 00	10 00	2	24	271	522
Ostemo,	101	1	20	4		1							1 00	8 00		1	15	50	300
Schoolcraft,	77	1	31		18	2	1	2,000			11 33	21 00				4	38	113	625
Paw Paw,	97		6	2			1	2,000			3 60	17 45		12 27	6 00	1	13	72	350
Decatur,	145		2	2	1							4 00				2	12	70	150
Summerville,	154	1	27	1	6	1	2	1,500	1	500	2 70	72 00				2	20	75	300
Edwardsburgh,	160		5				2	2,500	1	800	8 68	129 00	4 46	6 00	12 68	4	44	179	1380
Niles,	147	1	9				1	1,000	1	600	11 75	55 83	10 00	30 00		2	25	132	475
Buchanan,	100	1	21	1	2		1	1,000	1	600	11 00	92 00	5 00	4 50	7 50				
New Buffalo,	38	7							1	300		5 60		4 50		2	24	65	275
St. Joseph,	163	3	18	4	6		1	1,200			3 50	45 25	1 00			7	36	266	750
Coloma,	171	3	10	3	2	4			1	500	6 00					5	33	170	687
Black River,	86	4	20	1					1	100						1	6	12	66
Ganges,	55	3	20		1	1			1	300		5 00		7 25		2	18	58	575
Otsego,																			
Cooper,	240	2	10	1	12							8 00				3	12	48	220
Dowagiac,	125	1	43	6	40	6	2	1,200				30 53		25 00		3	37	154	576
	2026	33	262	25	96	20	12	15,400	9	5,700	72 14	559 58	29 46	115 52	36 18	41	357	1735	7451
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.																			
Grand Rapids, Eastern Charge,	223	4	10	3	1	4	1	3,000	1	3,000	12 00	33 25	5 63	12 00	5 00	2	34	128	250
" Western "	81		3				1	600								1	18	75	320
Grandville,	123		16	4												5	45	164	528
Wayland,																			
Allegan,	105	1	39	1	25	3	1	2,000			1 85	26 11		16 33	1 00	1	12	40	150
Lamont,	83	1	18		8	1	1	2,500	1	1,000	5 00					3	34	138	338
Newaygo,	77	2	30	1	9	2						2 45				5	26	115	300
White River,	17	2	8		1	1			1	300						3	13	60	350
Laphamville,	132		16						1	300		3 50				4	20	120	400
Greenville,	88	3	17	1	5	5	1	2,000			2 00	3 00		20 00		5	39	146	500
Flat River,	225	4	72	1	9	2	1	1,000	1	800	1 00	10 13	5 00		2 00	5	40	140	375
Boston,	96		21	2								4 06				5	48	125	580
Ionia,	173	3	17		4	1	2	1,000	1	1,000	1 00	64 50	5 00		10 00	2	18	95	400
Portland,	163	3	20	5	8	1			1	1,000	12 56	18 08				3	15	40	150
Muskegon,	17		3				1	10,000	1	1,500									

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Northport,																			
Sparta,	69		9						1	300						5	25	120	300
	1672	23	299	18	60	26	9	21,100	9	9,260	35 91	104 08	15 63	48 33	18 00	49	387	1506	4941
LANSING DISTRICT.																			
Lansing,	140		10	1	1	5	1	900	1	800		18 25		40 00		2	24	168	400
Grand Ledge,	158	2	25	7	8				1	300	5 00	18 45			6 00	2	23	82	450
Matherton,	168	4	104	7	65	12			1	500	3 00	8 71			7 50	6	53	172	480
Gratiot,	35		32	2	2							4 00				2	12	40	150
DuPlain,	207	1	35	1		1	1	1,700	1	350		41 58			5 00	5	55	189	714
De Witt,	168	1	49	2	16	5			1	800	15 50	19 71	5 75		2 58	8	60	249	616
Mason,	203	3	46	3	9	3	1	1,500	1	300	10 00	20 70				6	24	156	400
Kinneville,	50	5	20	2	10	3						10 00	5 00			3	20	60	300
Eaton Rapids,	67	1	18	1	10	2	1	3,000			6 00	10 50		3 25	3 50	3	21	130	300
Charlotte,	325	4	42	4	8	4	1	2,400	1	1,200	1 00	6 51	1 38		3 25	6	91	260	550
Jackson,	90	1	3	1	2		1	6,000			4 00	19 00		32 00		2	30	150	500
Moscow,	80		12		9		1	1,500	1	400		11 30		5 60		1	12	60	150
Wheatland,	150	4	14	3	9		1	500	1	600		10 09		4 20	4 00	5	35	140	380
	1841	26	410	34	149	35	8	17,500	9	5,250	44 50	198 71	12 13	94 05	31 83	51	463	1756	5390
INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT.																			
Janesville,	207	6	14	2	2	25	2	1,000	2	600						1	2	28	100
Isabella,	172	3		3		25													
Grand River,	42		11		5	3	1	400	1	25									
Ottawa Colony,	121	3			8	16	1	100	1	30						1	4	25	50
	542	12	25	5	15	69	4	1,500	4	655						2	6	53	150

RECAPITULATION.

Marshall District,	2237	26	292	29	100	15	19	31,900	8	6,075	47 65	417 07	5 38	73 12	10 50	55	478	1994	6773
Coldwater District,	1876	19	244	27	67	24	16	26,600	9	6,150	48 34	556 87	28 37	80 50	59 41	36	325	1909	5883
Kalamazoo District,	2026	33	262	25	96	20	12	15,400	9	5,700	72 14	559 58	29 46	115 52	36 18	41	357	1735	7451
Grand Rapids District,	1672	23	299	18	60	20	9	21,100	9	9,200	35 91	164 08	15 63	48 33	18 00	49	387	1506	4941
Lansing District,	1841	26	410	34	149	35	8	17,500	9	5,250	44 50	198 71	12 13	94 05	31 83	51	463	1756	5390
Indian Mission District,	542	12	25	5	15	69	4	1,500	4	655	------	------	------	------	------	2	6	53	150
Total,	10194	139	1532	138	487	183	68	114000	48	33,030	248 54	189631	90 97	411 52	155 92	234	2016	8953	30488

X. MISCELLANEOUS.

I.—REPORT ON EDUCATION.

It is the primary object of the Christian ministry to spread abroad a knowledge of Revealed Truth, unfold the doctrines of the Gospel, and persuade men through Christ, to become reconciled to God. In the accomplishment of this work, he is to avail himself of every agency and influence which may be made to contribute to its advancement—of these they are many.

The river of life has many tributaries. Social, civil and domestic influences, secular and commercial relations may be made to help on the great work. Our thoroughfares which transport to other lands the products of our soil, may also bear the bread of life. The improvements of the age which contribute to our temperal interests may be made also to advance the Gospel enterprise, but of all the secular agencies which might be made subservient to the worlds evangelization, that of education is the most potent. All truth radiates from the same central source, and bears the impress of the same divine power. The natural laws written upon the earth and sky, and upon our own mental and moral and physical being are as really the hand writing of Deity, as even the commands of the decalogue written by the finger of Deity on the two tables of stone, hence, natural and revealed truth, radiating from the same fountain of infinite wisdom are very nearly allied to each other. So also are mans mental and moral nature. It is from the abundance of the heart as well as from the store of thought and knowledge that the mouth speaketh; the productions of the intellect are necessarily tinctured by the hearts moral character. To the Infidel, nature is a blank scroll which has accidentally fallen from the lap of chance. To the Christian it is the skillful workmanship of a Being infinite in wisdom, goodness and power. To consider natural truth apart from its source or origin is what never has been done, and never will be. The mind stops not with effects on secondary causes, hence, we must pursue natural truth either into the deep caverns of Infidelity and speculation, or up to the realms of light to the radient throne of the Eternal Creator. Education, therefore, which opens to mind the fields of natural truth, is either the gateway of perdition or the portal of heaven. Our Seminaries and Colleges are bulwarks of moral and intellectual strength, and from them armed legions are annually issuing to serve under the cross, or with the

powers of darkness. Hence, the power and prosperity of the Church will be in proportion to the influence which it is able to exert in and over this post of moral strength. We think that the Church cannot be faithful to all its trusts, and fully accomplish its mighty mission without doing all in its power to render the literary institutions of the land subservient to the work of christianizing the world.

There are two literary institutions to some extent under our control, and dependent upon our patronage and support; these are the Wesleyan Seminary and Female College at Albion, and the Garret Biblical Institute and North Western Universtiy, at Evanston, Ill. Of the latter, we have no statistics or other data from which to form a definite report, but from the high reputation of the men who compose the Faculties of these institutions, we may safely recommend them to the confidence and patronage of the public. Two Trustees are to be appointed to the North Western University by this Conference, and in the place of A. M. Fitch, whose term of office expired one year ago, and one to fill the place of F. A. Blades, whose term expires the present year. The Institution under our more immediate control is the Wesleyan Seminary and Female College at Albion. While we are gratified at the success of the Faculty in sustaining the literary and moral character of the Institution, we regret to know that its financial condition is such as to make immediate measures for its relief indispensible.

The most feasible plan as appears to us is that proposed by the Committee on Education one year ago. This proposes the establishment of a professorship of moral and mental science, by raising from donations an endowment of ten thousand dollars.

It is proposed that the monies collected for this purpose as fast as collected, be safely funded in such manner that no part of the principal or interest can be used until the principal and interest shall amount to the above sum, and then that the interest be employed ever after for the support of the above professorship.

We now recommend that measures be taken immediately to raise this endowment, and that we endeavor during the coming year to get $3,000 of the same on reliable subscription.

We deem it proper in this report to make a brief mention of some of the educational interests of the State. With respect to the Michigan State University, while we believe that in its facilities for thorough men-

tal cultivation it is second to no kindred institution of the land, we are compelled to fear that it is so defective in those moral and religious restraints and influences which ought always to be thrown around students of literary institutions, that it cannot he patronized by our citizens without iminent peril to the moral and religious character of those youths who may be sent there for instruction, and until there is a decided improvement in this respect, we must say to the christian public within the bounds of our Conference, *beware.*

In pleasing contrast with this dark picture, we would notice the State Agricultural College, located at this place. The healthy disciplin, thorough mental culture, and salutary moral and religious influence of the institution, have impressed us favorably, and we commend it to the patronage of our friends in the State.

We recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we regard the cause of education to be clearly allied to the prosperity of the great Gospel enterprise.

Resolved, 2. That we will make a special effort to carry a christian influence into our schools and literary institutions.

Resolved, 3. That we hereby pledge our patronage and support to those institutions with which we are especially identified.

Resolved, 4. That to sustain our institution at Albion shall be regarded by us individually as a part of our appropriate work, and that we will do what we can to assist an agent, or otherwise advance the raising of the endowment mentioned in the preceding report.

Resolved, 5. That T. H. Sinex and W. H. Perrine be elected Trustees of the North Western University; the former for a term of three years, in the place of A. M. Fitch, whose term of office expired in 1856, and the latter for four years in the place of F. A. Blades, whose term of office expired the present year.

II.—REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE SEMINARY.

The Conference Seminary Committee report that the school, during the year has been very prosperous under the able supervision of Rev. T. H. Sinex, and his co-laborers. We are happy to learn that the school has opened the present term with a large number of students, and we can assure our people that in sending their children to Albion, places them under superior intellectual, moral and religious advantages. The Agent elected by the Trustees last fall, Rev. R. Bird of the Detroit

Conference not accepting, the labor of collecting has devolved upon the former Agent, Rev. George Bradley, in connection with the arduous duties of the pastoral work.

He represents that there has been collected on the principal of notes, $1,884 74. On interst, $725 15. By compromising note and the surrender of scholarships, $724 64. From other sources, $864 91, making $4,199 40.

Of this amount there has been expended in the payment of Professors and Teachers, $2,550 00, and $1,649 44 for agency, repairs and incidental expenses.

Your Committee regret that it has been necessary to make so large a draft on the fund, as it must if continued, exhaust it. Hence the necessity of taking such measures as will secure the funds of the Institution in a position, and so far increase the amount as that the interest shall pay the current expenses.

At the last session of the State Legislature, our charter was so changed as to give the Detroit Conference the right to elect one half of the Trustees and the Trustees to elect the Principal. We learn that the Detroit Conference has elected Rev. W. H. Collins and E. H. Pilcher, Trustees, and we recommend Rev. E. Holdstock, and Comfort Tyler to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expiration of the term of Rev. W. H. Brockway and George Bradley.

The agent has been under the necessity of collecting some claims of the Institution by law, and in every case contested, the Courts have decided in favor of the Seminary, and there is strong expectations that the notes of the Institution will be collected. The school is an honor to Methodism and the State, and deserves the hearty support of all friends of education and religion.

Your Committee therefore reccommend the following resolutions for adoption:

Resolved, 1. That we will give to the agent what assistance we may in securing the $15,000, recommended by the Conference at its last session for the endowment of a Professorship of Mental and Moral Science, and for the support of a Preceptress.

Resolved, 2. That we reccommend the agent to pursue the work of collecting the outstanding accounts of the Institution.

Resolved, 3. That if the Trustees can secure the services of Rev.

Wm. Farley as agent, we will give him our hearty co-operation in his work or any man they may elect.

Reolved, 4. That the Bishop be requested to appoint Rev. T. H. Sinex, President of the Albion Wesleon Seminary and Female College and Rev. C. C. Olds, Professor of Natural Science, they having been elected by the Trustees.

III.—BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause report as follows, to wit:

We regard the Bible Society the noblest charity of the present or of any other age. The design as cherished by this Society of publishing as soon as practicable, and placing in the hands of every human being, God's blessed word—that noble book of song, of psalm, of parable, of proverb, of history, of biography—containing in this diversified style of composition, the truth of God, and as it is Jesus Christ, so as to meet the religious wants of all classes, all types and colors of men on the face of the earth—that all may be enlightened, and come to a knowledge of the truth; be saved from their errors and their sins in this life, and saved unto Christ in heaven.

It is gratifying to your Committee that the operations of this charity is so wisely and extensively arranged, that every person in this country who has an interest in the success of this enterprise or the welfare and salvation of his fellow men, may join his mite or pound, as God has prospered, in carring forward to the ultimate this truly grand enterprise.

We are fully pursuaded that the members of this Conference, and also, the members of our churches have an increasing interest, not only in the operations of the Society generally, but more especially within our own State and communities, and desire it the most unlimited success; hence, it is gratifying to be placed in possession of the following facts by the Rev. T. C. Gardner, the Society's agent for this State, viz: during the forty-one years of the Society's existance, it has issued twelve millions, ninety one thousand, nine hundred and sixty-nine volumes of Bibles and Testaments. Its issues during the past year amount to upward of seven hundred and seventy thousand volumes, and its aggregate receipts to upwards of four hundred thousand dollars. In its distributions, handsome grants of Bibles have been made to our own Sunday School Union and Missionary Society, and three thousand dollars in cash have been appropriated to our Mission in Germany to enable

Mr. Jacoby, the Supeintendent, to publish an edition of the Scriptures in the German for the use of our Missionaries in that field.

In this State the Society is at present engaged in supplying all its families with the Holy Scriptures, through the agency of its local auxiliaries. This home work is one of special interest, because of the large number of families destitute of the Bible, judging from the figures made in the county explorations already effected. In one county in our own State, three hundred and thirty six families were found without the Bible; in another, two hundred and thirty-five, and in other counties now being canvassed exhibit about the same amount of destitution. It may be specially noted, also, that the agent has lately made a visit to the Upper Peninsula and organized four General Bible Societies, and collected among those new communities upwards of two hundred and fifty dollars for the cause, and made arrangements to have the whole region well supplied with the Bible.

This is particularly gratifying, not only from the fact of this having been the first visit to that region by an agent of the Society, but also, because of the good we confidently expect will accrue to our own work and Society in the Lake Superior Country.

It is a matter of rejoicing that the Society, notwithstanding the falling off of contributions in other directions, and the present monetary pressure, has ample facilities for meeting the heavy demands made upon its resources by their work of general home supply; yet it ought to be kept in mind that it depends on its monthly receipts from the Christian Church and communities of the land to carry on its operations, and the withholding of pecuniary aid in any locality would tend to reduce its ability to prosecute its beneficent aims.

We present the following resolutions for adoption:

1. That we regard with increasing interest the general operations of the American Bible Society; that we rejoice in its facilities for more extended usefulness, and earnestly hope that it may have sufficient means to bring them into full requisition for multiplying its benefits in all the earth.

2. That the appointment of Rev. T. C. Gardner, formerly a member of this body, the agent of the Society for this State, is gratifying to this Conference, and we invite him to our pulpits, and Society, and will most cordially co-operate with him in his labors.

4. Should not the agent in view of the amount of labor on his hands be able, personally, to visit our charges to present the claims of the Bible Society, we will ourselves, present the subject to our people, and take up collections to promote the objects of the Society.

IV.—RESOLUTIONS ON SLAVERY.

Resolved, 1. That in the opinion of this Conference, the General Conference possesses the constitutional right so to alter, change or modify the chapter of our Discipline upon the subject of Slavery as to exclude all slave holding from the church.

Resolved, 2. That we cordially approve of the official course of the editor of the North Western Christian Advocate upon the subject of Slavery, and especially commend the sentiments contained in his review of the judicial decision in the case of Dred Scott.

Resolved, 3. That in the judgment of this Conference, the next General Conference should take the initiative in so changing the General Rule of the Discipline on Slavery that it will distinctly and unquivocally prohibit all slaveholding in the M. E. Church.

VI.—RESOLUTIONS ON COLONIZATION.

Resolved, 1. In view of the civil, social, moral and religious condition of Africa, we congratulate the "American Board of Colonization," in the establishment of a christian democracy upon that barbarous continent, now acknowledged in its independence by eight European governments, free from the trammels of domestic slavery.

Resolved, 2. We pledge our sympathies and ministerial co-operation with its constituted agencies upon our respective fields of labor to aid the firee people of color to gain citizenship in Liberia by furnishing means to increase the future activities of the Board, in their emigration.

Resolved, 3. That we exceedingly deplore the folly of our own government in withholding its acknowledgment of the independence of Liberia, by establishing diplomatic and fraternal relations with it, and thus securing a valuable commerce now sacrificed at the expense of public justice and national honor, and we reccommend the Board to continue importunities at the door of Congress to wipe away their reproach by the immediate recognition of this independent Republic.

MEMOIR OF REV. S. B. FINCH.

The subject of this Memorial, was the son of Rev. David Finch, a

very worthy Methodist Minister, and received his early training under his father's roof.

At the age of fourteen, he became a member of the M. E. Church, and about six years ago, he was licensed to preach as a local preacher.

In the fall of 1852 he was employed by the Presiding Elder, as a supply on the Centerville Circuit, and labored with great acceptability and usefulness as junior preacher, associated with Rev. Henry Penfield. From this Circuit he was recommended for the travelling connection, and was admitted on trial by the Michigan Conference, which met in Detroit in the fall of 1853.

At this Conference he received his first regular appointment, to Gilead Circuit. The next year he was returned to the same charge, but owing to the failure of his health, he was changed to Quincy Circuit. At the close of this year, he passed his examination before the Conference creditably, and was admitted into full connection, and was ordained a Deacon in the Church. His next, and last Circuit was Jonesville, where he labored about half the year, and was forced to desist on account of an attack of that insidious disease called Consumption. By this fell destroyer, his devoted life was terminated in Osseo, Hillsdale county, on the 6th of March last, at the age of 28 years.

His death was calm and peaceful, rather than triumphant, or one of exaultant triumph.

As a christian, Br. Finch was distinguished for firm, deep, and consistent piety. As a preacher of righteousness, he possessed fair, but not brilliant talents—practical, rather than ornate in his style.

In his pulpit ministrations, and pastoral labors among the people of his charge, he won their esteem and love. He lived in the affections of the Church of his choice. But his toils and sufferings are ended, and he has safely passed from the mutations of this earth, to the brighter and changeless joys of the heavenly world.

Like him, may we all fall at our post with our armor on, and covered with glory.

V.—RESOLUTIONS ON TEMPERANCE.

Resolved, 1. That as Christian Ministers we will bring the subject of Temperence before all of our congregations.

Resolved, 2. That it is the duty of our people and the friends of

suffering humanity, to take decided and uncompromising measures to sustain the prohibitory law of our State.

Resolved, 3. That we regard and disapprobate the act of the last Legislature of this State whereby the prohibitory Law was so changed as to allow the domestic manufacture of beer, cider and wine, and the sale of the same as a bevarage.

VI.—ON BUILDING A CHURCH AT LANSING.

Whereas, There is an urgent necessity for the building of a suitable Church at Lansing, the Capital of our State, and

Whereas, The assembling of the Legislature at this place, together with its being constantly visited by large numbers of citizens from every part of the State, so that a church adequate to accommodate the usual population of such a village, would be much too small for our general purposes; therefore

Resolved, 1. That we, as a body of Ministers, engage to interest ourselves in behalf of this object on our Stations and Circuits.

Resolved, 2. That we reccommend this cause to the generous liberality of our people, and will aid whomsover may come to us to raise subscriptions for that purpose.

VII.—RESOLUTION OF CONFERENCE IN RELATION TO THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

The Conference, in compliance with an invitation of the officers of the House of Correction, visited the Institution, and would report their opinion of the same in the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That in our visit to the House of Correction, we were highly gratified with its neat and orderly appearance.

Resolved, 2. That we deem the Discipline of the Institution salutary, and eminently calculated to reform the boys.

Resolved, That each member of this Conference be requested to write a sketch of his life to be filed with the papers of the Conference.

Resolved, That the first Friday of December next, be regarded as a day of fasting and prayer, for the revival of the work of God among us.

XI.—ALPHBETICAL LIST.

MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE AND POST OFFICE.

NAMES.	P. O. ADDRESS.
Abbott, N.	Coldwater.
Abbott, I.	Parma.
Bangs, F. B.	Albion.
Bennett, I.	Grand Rapids.
Bennett, L. M.	Grandville.
Beach, A.	Wayland.
Bignal, G.	Edwardsburgh.
Bignal, T. H.	Schoolcraft.
Boynton, J.	Hillsdale.
Boynton, V. G.	Otsego.
Bradley, G.	Isabella.
Brockway, W. H.	Albion.
Brockway, N. L.	Lansing.
Burns, D.	Coldwater.
Bush, D.	Allegan.
Billings, A.	Albion.
Braggins, J.	Charlotte.
Camburn, M. B.	Homer.
Cawthorn, J. W.	Sparta.
Chambers, E. C.	Osseo.
Cogshall, I.	Niles
Crane, E.	Litchfield.
Crawford, R. C.	Jackson.
Crittenden, A. L.	Mason.
Clubine, J.	Burr Oak.
Congdon, T. J.	Bellevue.
Carpenter, M.	Matherton.
Clark, Thos.	Boston.
Day, E. H.	Decatur.
Doughty, B. F.	Centreville.
Dunton, A. A.	Greenville.
Daugherty, M. A.	Marshall.
Earl, L. W.	Constantine.
Fassett, N.	Jonesville.
Finch, I. S.	Liberty.
Gillet, J. K.	Niles.
Gillett, D. D.	White Pigeon.
Glass, F.	Laphamville.
Granger, T. B.	Allegan.
Hall, H.	Lamont.
Harder, J. S.	Grand Ledge.
Hendrickson, S.	Oshtemo.
Hemingway, F. D.	Evanston, Ill.
Hoag, G. W.	Leroy.
Holdstock, E.	Rattle Creek.
Hill, T. J.	Dewitt.
Jackson, H.	Isabella.
Jennings, J.	Battle Creek.
Jacokes, T. H.	Three Rivers.
Johnson, P. O.	Cassopolis.
Johnson, W. W.	Portland.
Law, H.	Lansing.
Lyon, Thos.	Ionia.
Marksman, P.	Pesabgening.
McAllister, J. E.	Surgis.
Morgan, H.	Grand Rapids.
McKnight, W.	Flat River.
Mount, N.	Moscow.
Odell, J.	Hastiags.
Olds, C. C.	Albion.
Osborn, S. A.	Prairielle.
Otis, N. L.	DuPlain.
Penfield, H.	Ionia.
Pengelly, R.	Eaton Rapids.
Pitezel, J. H.	Paw Paw.
Robe, J. T.	Summerville.
Robinson, J. W.	Buchanan.
Sibine, B.	Homer.
Sapp, R.	Jackson.
Steele, S.	Galesburgh.
Sinex, T. H.	Albion.
Thomas, D.	Marengo.
Thoms, I. N.	Litchfield.
Taylor, I.	Hillsdale.
Wakefield, A.	Lamont.
Woodard, S. C.	Quincy.
Young, E. D.	Charlotte.

PROBATIONERS.

Ayers, A. T.	Burlington.
Bliss, W. C. H.	St. Joseph.
Barker, H. P.	Okemos.
Buel, J. I.	Girard.
Corey, M.	New Buffalo.
Griffin, L. J.	Northport.
George, T. F.	Berrien.
Hoyt, J.	Black River.
Hazzard, A. C.	California.
Holbrook, C. B.	Gratiot.

Crum, W. W.....Lawton.
Chapin, G. W.....Otsego.
Coplin, W. M.....Duplain.
Chick, C. Jr.....Matherton.
Coplin, A.....Osseo.
Edmonds, L. M.....Kinneville.
Doust, Wm.....Reading.
Fowler, J. .....Dewitt.
Gee, L.....Leonidas.
Gore, A.....Wheatland.
Jenkins, W. F.....Ganges.
Kellogg, E. L.....Caloma.
Madison, G.....Newaygo.
McArthy, R. D.....White Haven.
Mosher, J.....Penfield.
Pratt, J. M.....Muskegon.
Smith, M. I.....Woodland.
Stafford, W.....Middleville.
Torry, A. W.....Mottville.

DETROIT CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

DETROIT DISTRICT—W. H. COLLINS, P. E.

Detroit—
Woodward Ave.,..F. A. Blades.
Congress st.,.....A. J. Eldred.
Lafayette st.,....J. F. Davidson.
City & French mis., J. Levington.
Lee Chapel, ...W. C. Way.
Trenton & Wyandotte, D. C. Jacokes.
Flat Rock,.....J. Dwelle.
Wayne, J. W. Kellogg, A. J. Bigelow.
Farmington, J. J. Gridley, J. Webster
Commerce,.....J. B. Greenlaw.
Pontiac,.....To be supplied.
Birmingham,....J. A. Baughman.
Plymouth.....W. M. Hevener.
Northville,.....R. McConnell.

ANN ARBOR DISTRICT—GEORGE SMITH, P. E.

Ann Arbor city,....E. H. Pilcher.
Ann Arbor,..... I. W. Donelson.
Ypsilanti,..... J. S. Smart.
Oakville,..... B. L. Deshitler.
Augusta,..... J. Dobbins.
Unadilla, J. W. Holt, S. L. Ramsdell.
South Lyon,.....S. P. Warner.
Milford,.....C. P. Watson.
Brighton,.....L. C. York.
Pinckney,..... S. P. Lee.
Dexter,..... E. R. Hascall.
Chelsea, S. C. Stringham, J. W. Chippen.
Saline,.....To be supplied.
Grass Lake,.....Wm. Taylor.
T. C. Gardner, agent American Bible Society, and member of Ypsilanti Quarterly Conference.

ADRIAN DISTRICT—J. BLANCHARD, P. E.

Adrian—
Toledo st.,..... W. H. Perrine.
Church st.,.....To be supplied.
Tecumseh,.....Wm. Fox.
Clinton,.....L. D. Burch.
Manchester,..... F. W. Warren.
Napoleon,..... J. B. Russell.
Franklin,.....John Wesley.
Rome,.....J. B. Varnum.
Hudson,.....C. M. Anderson.
Morenci, W. Donelly, W. Q. Burnett.
Palmyra,.....Benj. Cocker.
Blissfield,.....E. H. Brockway.
Bedford,.....S. F. Seeley.
Monroe,..... W. E. Bigelow.
Dundee,.....D. B. Tracy.
Ridgeway,.....E. Steele.

OWOSSO DISTRICT—J. M. ARNOLD, P. E.

Owosso, ... O. Whitmore.
Corunna, ... To be supplied.
Byron, .. W. Birdsall, E. E. Caster.
Fentonville, ... E. Westlake.
Hartland, B. H. Hedger, C. Cross.
Howell, ... Geo. Taylor.
Fowlerville, ... L. H. Dean.
Ingham, S. Wilkinson, R. Johnson.
Perry, ... J. H. Caster.
Oak Grove, ... S. P. Murch.
Bennington, ... Wm. Sly.
Middlebury, ... E. C. Wright.
Chessening, ... E. B. Prindle.
L. R. Fisk, Professor of Chemistry in Michigan Agricultural College, and member of the Ingham Quarterly Conference.

FLINT DISTRICT—S. CLEMENTS, JR., P. E.

Flint, ... John Russell.
South Flint, ... J. O. Bancroft.
Flushing, ... T. J. Joslin.
Grand Blanc, ... A. Allen.
Genesee, D. S. Freeman, L. Mitchell.
Clarkston, ... Wm. Mothersill.
Groveland, ... T. Wakelin.
Hadley, ... Thos. Seeley.
Goodrichville, ... I. Crawford.
Matherton, ... J. Kilpatrick.
Tuscola, ... E. Klumph.
East Saginaw, ... C. Mosher.
Saginaw City, ... T. C. Higgins.
Bay City, ... Wm. Benson.
Midland, ... R. H. Crane.

ROMEO DISTRICT—S. CALKINS, P. E.

Romeo, ... J. H. Burnham.
Mount Clemens, ... A. Minnis.
Utica, ... J. J. Smith.
Washington, ... W. G. Stonex.
Oakland, ... J. G. Whitcomb.
Oxford, ... R. C. Crane.
Lapeer, ... E. W. Borden.
North Branch, ... To be supplied.
Almont, ... B. F. Prichard.
Dryden, ... A. J. Black.
Armada, ... J. Gray.
Chesterfield, ... H. Carlton.

PORT HURON DISTRICT—MANASSEH HICKEY, P. E.

Port Huron, ... S. Reed.
St. Clair, ... A. R. Bartlett.
Newport, ... S. Bessey.
Columbus, ... J. G. Kern.
Memphis, ... O. Sanborn.
Mill Creek, ... To be supplied.
Ruby, ... N. H. Brown.
Lake Port, ... A. Gee.
Lexington, ... J. S. Sutton.
Port Sanilac, ... I. H. Camburn.
Port Austin, ... Wm. Tuttle.

LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT—A. C. SHAW, P. E.

Saut Ste. Marie, ... To be supplied.
Shawville Indian miss., L. D. Price.
Baden Noch, ... To be supplied.
Marquette, ... H. O. Parker.
Newawenon Ind. miss., D. A. Curtis.
Eagle Harbor and Copper Harbor to be supplied.
Eagle River and Cliff Mine, S. S. Littlefield.
Ontonagon, ... S. P. Van Doozer.
Minnesota Mines, ... F. W. May.
Portage Lake, ... J. R. Noble.
J. E. McAlister, transferred to Mich. Conference.
Jas. Shaw, transferred to Kansas and Nebraska Conference.

MINUTES

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MINUTES.

I. CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION.

The Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, commenced its twenty-third session in the village of Kalamazoo, Sept. 15th, 1858, at 8 o'clock A. M., Bishop E. R. Ames, presiding.

The Conference was opened by reading the Scriptures, singing, and prayer by the President.

The Conference roll was then called by the Secretary of the last session, and members answered to their names.

R. C. Crawford was then elected Secretary, and the following Standing Committees were appointed, viz.:

Committee on Public Worship—W. C. Comfort, I. Cogshall, and E. Holdstock.

Conference Stewards—W. H. Brockway, R. Sapp, and N. Mount.

Auditing Committee—D. D. Gillet, M. A. Daugherty, and P. O. Johnson.

Committtee on Education—S. Steele, C. C. Olds, F. D. Heminway, N. Abbott, T. H. Sinex, and J. Odell.

On Temperance—A. A. Dunton, G. Bradley, and J. E. McAllister.

On Bible Cause—T. H. Jacokes. E. Crane, and J. W. Robinson.

On Publication of the Minutes—J. K. Gillett, R. C. Crawford, R. Pengelly, E. D. Young, and J. W. Robinson.

On Tract Cause—J. K. Gillet, N. Fassett, and S. A. Osborn.

On Slavery—R. Sapp, W. H. Brockway, D. Thomas, H. Morgan. J. Boynton, and D. Bush.

On Statistics—I. C. Abbott, A. Wakefield, and S. C. Woodard.

On Sabbath Schools—N. Abbott, I. Bennett, and V. G. Boynton.

On Conference Seminary—F. B. Bangs, J. Boynton, N. L. Brockway, L. W. Earl, and G. W. Hoag.

On Parsonages—A. L. Crittenden, J. Clubine, Jr., and J. T. Robe.

On Post Offices—B. F. Doughty.

On Quarterly Review—T. H. Sinex, T. H. Bignell, and E. C. Chambers.

On Missions—The Presiding Elders.

II. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1. Who have been admitted on trial this year?

Answer—Edgar Beard, Abram J. VanWick, Newland M. Steele, Horace Bement, Frederick Freeman, David R. Latham, Hugh Caldwell, E. D. Mills, George W. Sherman, Daniel S. Haviland, John W. Klepper, Braddock Searles.—12

Question 2. Who remain on trial?

Answer. Augustus C. Hazzard, George W. Chapin, J. Fowler, L. Gee, A. W. Torry, R. D. McCarthy, C. D. Holdbrook, M. I. Smith. A. Coplin, T. T. George, C. Chick, Jr., L. M. Edmunds, J. Hoyt, A. T. Ayers, W. C. H. Bliss, J. I. Buel, J. Mosher, M. Corey, William Stafford, W. F. Jenkins.—20

Question 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer—Almond Gore, Lewis J. Griffin, William Doust, William M. Coplin, E. L. Kellogg, J. W. Pratt.—6

Question 4. Who are the Deacons?

Answer—A. Gore, *L. J. Griffin, *William Doust,*William M. Coplin, *E. L. Kellogg, *J. M. Pratt. *W. L. Otis, J. Clubine, Jr., J. Braggins, T. J. Hill, M. A. Daugherty, T. J. Congdon, M. Carpenter, A. Beach, I. S. Finch, L. M. Bennett. Peter Marksman, Thomas Clark.

Question 5. Who have been elected and ordained elders this year?

Answer—Thomas Lyon, N. L. Brockway, E. C. Chambers, William McKnight, A. L. Crittenden, D. D. Gillet, I. N. Thoms, F. D. Hemenway.

Question 6. Who have located this year?

Answer—Henry Jackson.

Question 7. Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?

Answer—I. S. Finch, J. H. Pitzell, S. Hendrichson.

Question 8. Who are the Superanuated Preachers?

Answer—B. Sabin, I. Taylor, George Bignell.

Question 9. Who have been expelled this year?

Answer—None.

Those marked thus * were ordained this year.

Question 10. Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

Answer—None.

Question 11. Were all the Preacher's characters examined?

Answer—This was strictly attended to by calling over their names before the Conference.

Question 12. Who have died this year?

Answer—None.

Question 13. What is the number of members, and what of probationers in Society?

Answer—Members 12,186—Probationers 5,286.

Question 14. What amounts are necessary to meet the claims of the Superanuated Preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers?

Answer $1,340 00

Question 15. What has been collected on the above account, and how has it been applied?

Answer—From the several charges as a Fifth collection, ... $188 75
From Chartered Fuud 25 00

Total $213 76

Distributed as follows:

To A. Billings,	$32 00
To H. Hall,	38 00
To I. Taylor,	34 00
To Mrs. King,	16 00
To Mrs. Ercanbrack,	16 00
To Mrs. Brakeman,	16 00
To Mrs. Staple,	20 00
To T. B. Granger,	41 76
Total,	$213 76
Received from the Parkhurst Fund for necessitous cases,	$13 00
Conference Collection,	42 72
Total,	$55 72
To Mrs. King,	$14 00
To Mrs. Ercanbrack,	14 00
To Mrs. Brakeman,	14 00
To Mrs. Staple,	13 72
Total,	$55 72

Question 16. What has been contaibuted for Missions? What for Sunday School Union? What for Tract Cause? And what for the American Bible Society?

Answer—For Missions, $1,476 63. For Sunday School Union, $75 85. For the Tract Cause, $21 81. Bible Society, $354 39.

Question 17. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT—JOSEPH JENNINGS, P.E.

Marshall—M. A. Daugherty.
Albion—E. Holdstock, J. H. Pitezel, Supernumerary.
Battle Creek—J. Odell.
Leroy—S. A. Osborn.
Hastings—H. Hall.
Woodland—W. Stafford.
Parma—I. C. Abbott.
Marengo—D. Thomas.
Dover—A. T. Ayres.
Bellevue—J. I. Buel.
Prairieville—L. Gee.
Galesburg—S. Steele.
Burlington—A. Billings, N. M. Steele.
South Albion—W. H. Brockway, M. I. Smith.
Penfield—J Mosher, One to be supplied.
Leonidas—G. W. Hoag.

T. H, Sinex, President, and C. C. Olds, Professor, Albion Female College, and Wesleyan Seminary, and both Members of Albion Quarterly Conference.

COLDWATER DISTRICT—D. BURNS, P.E.

Coldwater—W. C. Comfort.
Girard—I. N. Thoms.
Centreville—E. D. Young.
Three Rivers—H. Penfield.
Constantine—L, W. Earl.
Mottville—A. C. Hazzard.
White Pigeon, B. F. Doughty.
Sturgis—J. E. McAllister.
Burr Oak—A. Coplin.
Reading—Wm. Doust.
Quincy—S. C. Woodard,
California—A. W. Torry.
Jonesville—N. Fassett.
Hillsdale—J. Boynton.
Osseo—E. C. Chambers. [plied.
Cambria—I. S. Finch, sup. One to be sup-
Litchfield—M. B. Camburn.
Allen—To be supplied.
Union City—John Clubine, Jr.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—I. COGSHALL, P.E.

Kalamazoo—T. H. Jacokes.
Osthemo—D. S. Haviland.
Schoolcraft—J. T. Robe.
Lawton—M. Corey.
Pawpaw—J. W. Robinson.
Decatur—W. C. H. Bliss.
Dowagiac—E. H, Day.
Cassopolis—Edward L. Kellogg.
Summerville—H. Caldwell.
Edwardsburg—P. O. Johnson.
Niles—A. J. Eldred.
Buchanan—V. G. Boynton.
New Buffalo—T. T. George.
Berrien—George A. Van Horne.
St. Joseph—Thomas Lyon.
Coloma—Erastus L. Kellogg, John Hoyt.
Lawrence—G. W. Chapin. One to be sup,
Ostego—T. H. Bignell. One to be supplied.

F. D. Hemenway, Principal of the Preparatory Department, Garret Biblical Institute, and Member of the Niles Quarterly Conference.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—J. K. GILLET, P.E.

Grand Rapids, East—H. Morgan.
Grand Rapids, West—R. Pengelly.
Kelloggville—William McKnight.
Wayland—L. M. Bennett.
Allegan—A. A. Dunton.
Ganges—D. Bush, A. J. Van Wick.
Sparta—J. W. Cawthorn, F. Freeman.
Lamont—I. Bennett.
Muskegon—D. D. Gillet.
Muskegon Rapids—To be supplied.
White River—E. D. Mills.
Newago—T. B. Granger.
Middleville—W. F. Jenkins.
Laphamville—A. Wakefield.
Greenville—F. Glass.
Flat River—A. Beach, R. D. McCarthy.
Boston—J. M. Pratt, H. Bement.
Ionia—R. Sapp.

LANSING DISTRICT—H. LAW, P.E.

Lansing—N. Abbott.
Grand Ledge—J. S. Harder.
Matherton—N. L. Otis, J. Braggins.
Gratiot—C. D. Holbrook. One to be supplied.
Duplain—N. L. Brockway, G. M. Sherman.
Maple Rapids—W. M. Coplin.
Dewit—A. Gore, H. P. Barker.
Mason—N. Mount.
Okemos—B. Searles.
Onondaga—M. Carpenter.
Eaton Rapids—A. L. Crittenden.
Charlotte—T. J. Congdon, J. Fowler, Jr.
Diamondville—C. Chick, Jr.
Jackson—F. B. Bangs, S. Hendrickson, Sup.
Moscow—T. J. Hill, L. M. Edmonds.
North Adams—E. Crane.
Portland—T. Clark.

State Prison at Jackson—R. C. Crawford, Chaplain, Member of Jackson Quarterly Conference.
Agricultural College—L. R. Fisk, Professor, Member of Lansing Quarterly Conference.
House of Correction—J. Summerville, Chaplain, Member of Lansing Quarterly Conference.

GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT—W. W. JOHNSON, P.E.

Traverse City and Old Missions—W. W. Johnson.
Northport—L. J. Griffin.
Elk Rapids—D. R. Latham.
Manistee—E. Beard.
Pentwater—J. W. Klepper.
Traverse Indian Mission—To be supplied.

INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT—G. BRADLEY, P.E.

Isabella—G. Bradley.
Saginaw Bay—P. Marksman.
Oceana—To be supplied.

Question 18. Where shall our next Conference be held?

Answer—At Marshall.

III. COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION.

I.—TRAVELING PREACHERS.

1ST YEAR—J. W. Robinson, G. W. Hoag, B. F. Doughty.
2D YEAR—A. A. Dunton, N. L. Brockway, D. Thomas.
3D YEAR—N. Abbott, S. Steele, T. H. Bignell.
4TH YEAR—H. Penfield, E. Holdstock, F. B. Bangs.

II.—LOCAL PREACHERS FOR DEACONS ORDERS.

A. Billings. E. D. Young. E. Crane.

III.—LOCAL DEACONS FOR ELDERS ORDERS.

J. H. Pitezell, M. B. Camburn, J. E. McAllister.

The following resolutions were adopted, viz:

Resolved, 1. That the Committees and Classes of the 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th years be required to meet at the seat of the Conference, on Tuesday next preceding the session, at 9 o'clock, A. M., and that the Local Preachers and Deacons meet their committees on the 1st Friday of the session, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Resolved, 2. That those preachers on trial who could not be present for examination in the first years' course of study, be allowed to be examined on the first and second years' course of study, at the next session of Conference.

IV. DELEGATES TO ECCLESIASTICAL BODIES.

Presbyterian Synod. The Minister stationed at Ionia, and presiding Elder of Grand River District.

General Association of Michigan. J. Jennings and I. C. Abbott.

Baptist Convention. W. H. Brockway and N. Abbot.

Bro. E. Crane was granted a superannuated relation at his own request.

Question of effective Elders resumed, and the characters of the following passed: W. W. Johnson, N. Fassett, and Geo. Bradley.

The question of Local Preachers for Deacon's orders was taken up, and the following persons having been duly recommended by their respective Quarterly Conferences, were elected to Deacon's orders, viz: Adin T. Ayers, H. A. Pattison, and Elias Cooley, Jr.

The question of Local Preachers for Elder's orders was taken up, and Wm. F. Jenkins was elected to Elder's orders.

On motion, a resolution was passed recognizing the ordination of James S. Child, formerly a member and minister of the Free Will Baptist Church.

On motion, Conference adjourned. Closed with the doxology and benediction.

FIFTH DAY'S SESSION.

MONDAY MORNING—8 O'CLOCK.

Brother R. SAPP in the Chair.

Conference opened with the usual religious exercises. Minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

On motion, the Committee on Missions were requested to furnish the Editor of the North-western Christian Advocate a copy of their Report for publication.

Also, on motion, the Committee who visited the Isabella Indian Missions, were requested to furnish a copy of their report for publication in the North-western Christian Advocate.

On motion, T. C. Gardner was appointed Trustee of the North-western University.

Bishop JANES came in and took the Chair.

On motion, the Bishop was requested to appoint J. Summerville, Chaplain to the School of Reform at Lansing.

Conference proceeded to ballot for Trustees for the Wesleyan Seminary and Female Collegiate Institute. R. Sapp and J. Boynton were appointed Tellers, and upon the first balloting, J. C. Blanchard, Wm. Farley and Wm. Bort were duly elected, and J. C. Blanchard was, on motion, elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Comfort Tyler.

On motion, Daniel Bush was granted a location, at his own request.

On motion, I. S. Finch was granted a location, at his own request.

The Bishop presented a list of the names of those ordained Elders yesterday, *to wit:*

N. L. Otis, T. J. Hill, M. A. Daugherty, M. Carpenter, J. Odell, Thos. Clark, John Braggins, L. M. Bennett, I. S. Finch and Wm. F. Jenkins.

Also, the Deacons ordained yesterday, *to wit:*

A. C. Hazard, J. Fowler, R. D. McCarthy, M. I. Smith, A. Coplin, T. T. George, John Hoyt, L. M. Edmonds, J. I. Buel, H. A. Pattison, Adin T. Ayers, and Elias T. Cooley.

On motion, the circulars of the Cincinnati Annual Conference, and Erie Annual Conference, on the subject of Slavery, were laid on the table; and on motion,

the Conference concurred in the action of the Providence Annual Conference, o the changing of the rule on Slavery, as set forth in their circular, by a vote of 7 for, and 3 against it. [See Report of Committee on Slavery.]

The exhibit and annual report of the Western Book Concern at Cincinna was presented; also, the exhibit and annual report of the New York Book Con cern.

The names of the following Brethren were called and their characters passed viz: N. L. Brockway and F. D. Hemenway. The fouth question was resumed, an the name of L. R. Fisk was called and his character passed.

The Committe appointed to collect money to purchase Rev. E. H. Pilcher's man uscript of the History of Methodism in Michigan, made report which was adopted and the Committee continued another year.

A resolution was unanimously adopted, tendering the thanks of the Conferenc to the members of the M. E. Church and citizens of Marshall, for their generou entertainment of the Conference during its present session.

On motion, Ionia was chosen as the place where the next Conference shall b held. Minutes of the last session read and approved.

On Motion, adjourned.

Conference joined in singing the doxology, after which, Bro. W. H. Brockway lead in prayer.

The appointments of the preachers for the ensuing year was made by the Bish op, and Conference closed.

MINUTES.

I.—DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

II.—DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1. Who have been admitted on trial this year?

Answer. Elisha Marble, George D. Lee, David Engle, Jonathan A. Sprague, Holmes A. Pattison, James N. Dayton, Geo. W. Tuthill, James L. Child, Amos C. Wheeler, Uri Mason, and H. M. Joy—11.

Question 2. Who remain on trial?

Answer. A. J. Van Wyck, W. C. H. Bliss, N. M. Steele, H. H. Bement, Wm. Stafford, F. Freeman, D. R. Latham, D. S. Haviland, C. Chick, Jr., G. W. Sherman, W. F. Jenkins, B. D. Searles, E. Beard, C. D. Holdbrook, H. Caldwell, and J. W. Klepper—16.

Question 3. Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer. A. C. Hazzard, G. W. Chapin, A. W. Torrey, R. D. McCarthy, M. I. Smith, A. Coplin, T. T. George, J. Hoyt, L. M. Edmonds, James I. Buel, and J. Fowler.

Question 4. Who are the Deacons.

Answer. A. C. Hazzard,* G. W. Chapin, H. W. Torrey,* R. D. McCarthy,* M. I. Smith,* A. Coplin,* T. T. George,* J. Hoyt, *L. M. Edmonds,* J. I. Buel,* J. Fowler,* A. Gore, L. J. Griffin, Wm. Doust, J. Clubine, T. J. Congdon, A. Beach, Wm. M. Coplin, J. M. Pratt, H. P. Barker, G. A. Van Horn, E. L. Kellogg, and P. Marksam—23.

Question 5. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

Answer. N. L. Otis, T. J. Hill, M. Carpenter, J. Odell, T. Clark, J. Braggins, L. M. Bennett, M. A. Daugherty, I. S. Finch, and Wm. F. Jenkins.—10

Question 6. Who have located this year?

Answer. I. S. Finch A. T. Ayers, J. Mosher.

Question 7. Who are the supernumerary preachers?

Answer. J. H. Pitezel, S. Hendrickson, H. P. Barker, I. Taylor, M. Carpenter.–5

Question 8. Who are the superannuated preachers?

Answer. B. Sabin, S. C. Woodard.

Question 9. Who have been expelled this year?

Answer. None.

Question 10. Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

Answer. None.

Question 11. Were all the preachers characters examined?

Those marked thus * were ordained this year.

Answer. This was strictly attended to by calling over their names before the Conference.

Question 12. Who have died this year?

Answer. George Bignell. (See Memoir.)

Question 13. What is the number of Members, and what of Probationers in Society?

Answer. Members 13,600; Probationers 2,140.

Question 14. What amounts are necessary to meet the claims of superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers.

Answer. $920.

Question 15. What has been collected on the above accounts, and how has it been applied?

Answer. From the several charges as a fifth collection, - - $534 00
From the chartered fund, - - - - - - 24 00
Total, - - - - - $558 00

Distributed as follows:—
To I. Taylor, $140,70; to Mrs. Ercanbrack, $60,66 - - $201 36
To G. Bignel, $160,10; to " Brakeman, $66,66 - 226 76
To Mrs. King, $60,66; to " Staples, $75,20 - - 135 86
Total, - - - - - - $563 98

Received from the Parkhurst Fund, - - - - - - $14 00
Distributed as follows:—
To Mrs. King, - 3,30; to Mrs. Brakeman, 3,20 - $6 50
To " Ercanbrack, 3,30; to " Staples, - 4,60 - - 7 90
Total, - - - - - - $14 40

Question 16. What has been contributed for Missions? What for Sunday School Union? What for Tract Cause? and what for the American Bible Society?

Answer. For Missions, $1,828 09; for S. S. Union, $95 68; for Tract Cause, $23 95; for the American Bible Society, $389 48.

Question 17. Where are the Preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT—E. HOLDSTOCK, P. E.

Marshall—T. H. Jacokes,
Albian—I. Cogshall, J. H. Pitezel, Sup.
Parma—A. Billings,
Homer—H. Morgan,
Concord—Wm. H. Brockway,
Burlington—Jas. I. Buel,
Leroy—S. A. Osborn,
Leonidas—E. Marble,
Galesburgh—I. C. Abbott,
Richland—David Thomas,
Prairieville—To be supplied,
Bedford—I. N. Thomas,
Penfield—Wm. Stafford,
Hastings—J. Boynton,
Woodland—To be supplied,
Bellevue—T. H. Bignell,
Battle Creek—J. Odell,
Marengo—H. A. Pattison,
Dover—John Hoyt,
Springport—To be supplied,

Thos. H. Sinex, President.

C. C. Olds, Professor Albion Female College and Wesleyan Seminary, and Member of Albion Quarterly Conference.

COLDWATER DISTRICT—D. BURNS, P. E.

Coldwater—Wm. C. Comfort,
Girard—I. Taylor, supernumerary.
Centerville—E. D. Young,
Three Rivers—H. Penfield,
Constantine—B. F. Doughty,
Mottville—A. C. Hazzard,
White Pigeon—J. E. McAllister,
Sturgis—N. L. Brockway,
Burr Oak—E. C. Chambers,
Reading—N. Fassett,
Quincy—Wm. Doust,
California—Geo. D. Lee,
Jonesville—To be supplied.
Hillsdale—L. W. Earl,
Osceo—A. W. Torrey,
Cambria—To be supplied,
Litchfield—M. B. Camburn,
Allen—A. Coplin,
Union City—J. Clubine, Jr.

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—A. J. ELDRED, P. E.

Kalamazoo—J. Jennings,
Oshtemo—G. W. Hoag,
Schoolcraft—J. T. Robe,
Lawton—J. S. Harder,
Paw Paw—J. W. Robinson,
Decatur—P. O. Johnson,
Dowagiac—E. H. Day,
Cassopolis—E. L. Kellogg,
Summerville—H. Caldwell,
Edwardsburgh—I. Bennett,
Niles—R. C. Crawford,
Buchanan—W. W. Johnson,
New Buffalo—Geo. A. Van Horn,
Berrien—Daniel S. Haviland,
David Engle,
St. Joseph—Thomas Lyon,
Coloma—T. T. George, H. M. Joy,
Lawrence—Erastus L. Kellogg,
Waverly—Geo. W. Tuthill,
Otsego—L. M. Bennett,
Cooper—R. D. McCarthy.

F. D. HEMENWAY, Principal of the preparatory department of the Garrett Biblical Institute, and member of Niles Quarterly Conference.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—J. K. GILLET, P. E.

Grand Rapids East—M. A. Daugherty,
do West—R. Pengelly,
Kelloggsville—Wm. McKnight,
J. A. Dayton,
Wayland—N. Cleveland,
Allegan—A. A. Dunton,
Ganges—W. C. H. Bliss,
Sparta—M. I. Smith,
Lamont—H. H. Bement,
Grand Haven, Muskegon, } D. D. Gillet, H. Hall.
Muskegon Rapids—To be supplied,
Croton—To be supplied,
Newago—T. B. Granger,
White River—G. W. Chapin,
Roseville—To be supplied,
Laphamville—A. Wakfield,
A. C. Wheeler,
Greenville—F. Glass,
Flat River—A. Beach, J. L. Child,
Boston—J. M. Pratt, A. J. Van Wyck,
Ionia—R. Sapp,
Middleville—Wm. F. Jenkins.

LANSING DISTRICT—H. LAW, P. E.

Lansing—N. Abbott,
Grand Ledge—Wm. M. Coplin,
F. Freeman,
Matherton—J. Braggins, B. D. Searles,
Gratiot—Uri Mason,
St. Johns—J. W. Crawthorn,
H. P. Barker, Sup.
Maple Rapids—Thos Clark,
Dewitt—A. L. Critendon,
C. D. Holdbrook,
Mason—Nathan Mount,
Okemos—Geo. M. Sherman,
Onondaga—Almon Gore,
Eaton Rapids—V. G. Boynton,
M. Carpenter, Sup.
Charlotte—Lewis M. Edmonds,
Vermontville—Josiah Fowler,
Jackson—F. B. Bangs,
Moscow—T. J. Hill, Geo. D. Palmer,
North Adams—T. J. Congdon,
Portland—N. L. Otis, J. A. Sprague,
Chrystal Lake—Charles Chick, Jr.

LEWIS R. FISK, Professor in Michigan Agricultural College, Member of Lansing Quarterly Conference.

JAS. SUMMERVILLE, Chaplain to the Juvenile House of Reform, and Member of Lansing Quarterly Conference.

GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT—S. STEELE, P. E.

Grand Traverse, } S. Steele,
Traverse City, }
North Port—J. W. Klepper,
Elk Rapids—David R. Latham,
Manistee—Edgar Beard,
Pentwater—N. M. Steele.

INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT—GEO. BRADLEY, P. E.

Isabella—Geo. Bradley,
Saginaw Bay—Peter Marksman,
Oceana—Lewis J. Griffin,
Pine River—To be supplied.

Question 18. Where shall the next Conference be held?
Answer. Ionia, Michigan.

III.—COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATIONS.

I.—TRAVELING PREACHERS.

First Year.—V. G. Boynton, F. Glass, N. Fassett.
Second Year.—I. Cogshall, H. Hall, G. W. Hoag.
Third Year.—W. W. Johnson, J. Boynton, I. Taylor.
Fourth Year.—F. B. Bangs, H. Morgan, N. Abbott.

II.—LOCAL PREACHERS FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

W. C. Comfort, P. O. Johnson, D. Thomas.

III.—LOCAL DEACONS FOR ELDER'S ORDERS.

R. Pengelly, B. F. Doughty, S. A. Osborn.

IV.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

I.—OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE S. S. SOCIETY.

President.—W. H. Brockway.
Vice President.—D. Thomas.
Treasurer.—M. A. Daugherty.
Secretary.—I. Taylor.
Directors.—W. C. Comfort, H. Hall, T. B. Granger, E. C. Chambers, T. J. Hill.
To speak at the next Anniversary.—T. H. Jacokes, R. Sapp.
Alternates.—J. H. Pitezel, A. Coplin.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON S. SCHOOLS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Sunday Schools, would respectfully report that they have done what they could to gather the statistics from the different charges, and report an increase in all the items, except the number of conversions. The Preachers upon the charges in all the districts, have reported, except two or three.

Your Committee regard the Sunday School, in its appliances for the conversion of the world, second to none except the preaching of the Word. They rejoice in the increasing interest manifested on the part of the ministry and membership

upon the subject, and earnestly pray that our efforts as Pastors, may continue until the entire membership of the Church shall come up to the full measure of their responsibility and interest in this work.

Your Committee respectfully submit the following Resolutions for your consideration:

Resolved, That the aim of all Sunday School instruction, should be the conversion of the children now.

Resolved, That we ought, as far as practicable, to secure as teachers in the Sunday Schools, persons of deep, ardent piety.

Resolved, That we most cordially commend the Sunday School Advocate to our people, and will endeavor to increase its circulation.

Resolved, That we heartily approve the course of the Editor of the Sunday School Advocate in making it thoroughly anti-slavery.

Whereas, Our Conference has a large tract of new and sparsely settled territory that needs help from the Sunday School Uuion, and whereas, we have for several years exceeded the amount of our contributions to the Union in the amount of books donated to poor Schools, therefore,

Resolved, That we will endeavor greatly to increase our collections for the Sunday Scoool Union on all our charges.

Resolved, That we recommend to our people to purchase the books of our own Sunday School Union.

F. B. BANGS,
ISAAC TAYLOR, } *Committee.*

Life Members of the Sunday School Union—Brother J. T. Ross and Mary Wilber.

V.—TRACT ENTERPRISE.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE TRACT SOCIETY.

President.—PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE.

Vice Presidents.—J. K. GILLET, T. LYON, W. W. JOHNSON, I. COGSHALL, J. S. HARDER.

Executive Committee.—T. H. Jacokes, N. Mount, S. A. Osborn, H. Hall, W. G. Boynton.

Recording Secretary.—A. A. DUNTON. *Treasurer.*—E. HOLDSTOCK.

Corresponding Secretary.—M. A. DAUGHERTY.

VI.—MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

I.—OFFICERS OF CONFERECNE SOCIETY.

President—I. COGSHALL. *Secretary*—A. A. DUNTON.

Vice President—A. BILLINGS. *Treasurer*—E. H. DAY.

Managers.—J. H. Pitezel, W. C. Comfort, P. O. Johnson, I. Bennett, A. L. Critendon.

Speakers at next Anniversary.—S. Steele, H. Hall; alternate, A. J. Eldred.

II.—MISSIONARY APPROPRIATIONS.

To Indian Missions.—Isabella Indian Mission District,	$500 00
Interpreter's salary,	200 00
Assistant "	100 00
Saginaw Bay Mission.—Missionary's salary,	350 00
Oceana Mission.—Missionary's salary,	350 00
Interpreter's salary,	200 00
Pine River Mission,	75 00
Total,	$1,775 00

Of the above sum, $275 is in the hands of Bro. G. Bradley from last year's appropriations.

To Domestic Missions.—Marshall District—Dover,	$20 00
Kalamazoo District—Decatur,	40 00
Grand Rapids "	65 00
Grand Rapids, West,	50 00
Grand Haven,	100 00
Muskegon,	25 00
Greenville,	50 00
Grand Traverse District,	200 00
North Port,	40 00
Elk Rapids,	30 00
Manistee,	30 00
Pent Water,	30 00
Lansing District,	25 00
Gratiot,	100 00
St. Johns,	30 00
Maple Rapids,	20 00
Okemos,	20 00
Chrystal Lake,	25 00
Total,	$900 00

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society, in account with E. H. Day.

Cr. By amount received,

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Marshall, by M. A. Daugherty,	$40 00
Albion, by E. Holstock,	47 10
Missionary Society of Albion Female College, to support the Missions on the Western Coast of Africa,	27 45
Battle Creek, by J. Odell,	30 00
Leroy, by S. A. Osborn,	110 00
Hastings, by H. Hall,	4 34
Woodland, by W. Stafford,	
Parma, by J. C. Abbott,	31 00
Carried forward,	

Brought forward,			$
Marengo, by D. Thomas,	8 15		
Dover, by A. T. Ayers,			
Bellevue, by J. I. Buel,			
Prairieville, by L. Gee,	27 00		
Galesburg, by S. Steel,	44 55		
Burlington, by A. Billings,	10 70		
South Albion, by W. H. Brockway,	53 00		
Penfield, by J. Mosher,	5 00		
Leonidas, by G. W. Hoag,	22 20	$460 29	

COLDWATER DISTRICT.

Coldwater, by W. C. Comfort,	$142 56	
Girard, by J. N. Thoms,	17 45	
Centerville, by E. D. Young,	42 60	
Three Rivers, by H. Penfield,	52 60	
Constantine, by L. W. Earl,	33 00	
Mottville, by A. C. Hazard,	20 00	
White Pigeon, by B. F. Doughty,	5 15	
Sturgis, by J. E. McAlister,	46 00	
Burr Oak, by A. Coplin,	9 50	
Reading, by Wm. Daust,	7 50	
Quincy, by S. C. Woodard,	14 00	
California, by A. W. Torrey,	20 00	
Jonesville, by N. Fassett,	20 00	
Hillsdale, by J. Boynton,	11 50	
Osseo, by E. C. Chambers,	50 00	
Cambria, by J. S. Finch, for Domestic Missions,	15 00	
Litchfield, by M. B. Camburn,	20 00	
Allen, —— ——		
Union City, by J. Clubine,	40 21	$567 07

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

Kalamazoo, by T. H. Jacokes, $5 of which was raised in the Sabbath School,	$66 55	
Cooper, —— ——	6 00	
Oshtemo, by D. S. Haveland,	7 50	
Schoolcraft, by J. T. Rabe,	19 35	
Lawton, by Wm. Sprague, Lawton Sabbath School,	1 00	
Paw Paw, by J. W. Robinson,	47 40	
Decatur, by W. C. H. Bliss,		
Dowagiac, by E. H. Day,	28 00	
Cassopolis, by E. L. Kellogg,	10 82	
Summerville, by H. Caldwell,	35 00	
Edwardsburg, by P. O. Johnson,	34 60	
Niles, by A. J. Eldred,	61 58	
Buchanan, by V. G. Boynton,	25 00	
Carried forward,	$	

Brought forward,	$	
New Buffalo, by G. W. Chapin,	5 00	
Berrien, by G. A. Van Horn,	22 00	
St. Joseph, by T. Lyon,	1 00	
Coloma, by E. L. Kellogg,	28 00	
Lawrence, by T. T. George,	2 33	
Otsego, by T. H. Bignell,	37 00	$437 13
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.		
Grand Rapids, East charge, by H. Morgan,	$20 64	
Grand Rapids, West charge, by R. Pengally,	12 02	
Kelloggville, by Wm. McKnight,	5 00	
Wayland, by L. M. Bennett.	24 21	
Allegan, by A. A. Dunton,	5 00	
Ganges, by D. Bush,	2 00	
Sparta, by J. W. Canthorn,	2 00	
Lamont, by J. Bennett,	8 00	
Muskegon, by D. D. Gillett,	8 00	
Muskegon, by Rapids,		
White River, by E. D. Mills,		
Newaygo, by T. B. Granger,		
Middleville, by W. F. Jenkins,		
Laphamville, by A. Wakefield,		
Grandville, by F. Glass,	2 50	
Flat River, A. Beach,	10 24	
Boston, by J. M. Pratt,		
Ionia, by R. Sapp,	20 09	$117 70
LANSING DISTRICT.		
Lansing, by N. Abbott,	$16 25	
Grand Ledge, by J. S. Harder,	24 00	
Matherton, by N. L. Otis,	17 90	
Gratiot, by D. C. Holbrook,		
Duplain, by N. L. Brockway,	49 05	
Maple Rapids, by W. M. Coplin,		
Dewitt, by A. Gore,	13 35	
Mason, by N. Mount,	14 58	
Okemos, by B. Searls,		
Onondaga, by M. Carpenter,		
Eaton Rapids, by A. F. Critenden,	8 47	
Charlotte, by T. J. Congdon,	13 09	
Diamondville, by C. Chick, Jr.,	4 60	
Jackson, by F. B. Bangs,	20 00	
Moscow, by T. J. Hill,	24 11	
North Adams, by E. Crane,	19 08	
Portland, by T. Clark,	12 00	$235 88
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.		
By W. W. Johnson,	$7 40	
INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT.		
No Report.		

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

Marshall District,	$460 29	
Coldwater District,	567 07	
Kalamazoo District,	437 13	
Grand Rapids District,	117 70	
Lansing District,	235 88	
Grand Traverse District,	7 40	
Friend of Missions,	2 00	
B. Sabin,	1 00	
Jewelry,	62	$1,828 09

DR. CONTRA.

By Cash paid T. Carlton, as per receipt,	$1,100 00	
On Mission Drafts,	545 00	
On orders of Conference, as per receipts,	79 12	
Draft sent to New York,	103 97	$1,828 09

E. H. DAY, Treasurer.

VII.—STATISTICAL TABLES.

I.—STATISTICS OF MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Charges.	Names.	SALARY. Claims.	SALARY. Rec'd.	HOUSE RENT. Claims.	HOUSE RENT. Rec'd.	Fifth Col.
Marshall District,	J. Jennings,	$550 00	$500 00	$100 00	$100 00	
Marshall,	M. A. Daugherty,	600 00	600 00			
Battle Creek,	J. Odell,	550 00	550 00	p		
Leroy,	S. A. Osborn,	400 00	400 00	p		$ 5 00
Hastings,	H. Hall,	450 00	290 00	60 00	60	3 00
Woodland,	W. Stafford,	372 00	213 21			
Parma,	I. C. Abbott,	450 00	450 00	p		10 12
Marengo,	D. Thomas,	460 00	281 09	p		4 79
Bellevue,	J. I. Buel,	400 00	300 91	47 50	47 50	1 00
Dover,	A. T. Ayres,	300 00	300 00	13 00	13 00	
Prairieville,	L. Gee,	345 00	345 00	55 00	55 00	
Burlington,	A. Billings,	425 00	305 35			5 35
Burlington,	N. M. Steele,	160 00	120 66			
Galesburgh,	S. Steele,	450 00	450 00	p		11 00
South Albion,	W. H. Brockway,	475 00	330 00			22 00
	M. I. Smith,	475 00	330 00	p		
Penfield,	J. Mosher,	535 00	535 00	p		9 40
Leonidas,	G. W. Hoag,	350 00	330 00	30 00	30 00	5 65
Albion,	E. Holstock,	500 00	500 00	p		13 00
Albion Seminary,	T. H. Sinex,	700 00	700 00	150 00	150 00	
" "	C. C. Olds,	550 00	550 00			

COLDWATER DISTRICT.—DAVID BURNS, P. E.

Charges.	Names.	SALARY. Claims.	SALARY. Rec'd.	HOUSE RENT. Claims.	HOUSE RENT. Rec'd.	Fifth Col.
Coldwater District,	David Burns,	$550 00	$550 00	$100 00	$100 00	
Coldwater,	W. C. Comfort,	500 00	500 00	p		$5 68
Girard,	I. N. Thoms,	368 00	225 98	p		1 66
Centerville,	E. D. Young,	550 00	496 00	p		11 36
Three Rivers,	H. Penfield,	541 00	541 00	p		10 50
Constantine,	L. W. Earl,	400 00	400 00	p		5 00
Mottville,	A. C. Hazzard,	390 00	300 00	48 00	48 00	
White Pigeon,	B. F. Doughty,	500 00	250 00	p		4 75
Sturgis,	J. E. McAlister,	400 00	317 67	p		12 25
Burr Oak,	A. Coplin,	250 00	213 00			3 75
Reading,	Wm. Doust,	450 00	300 00	50 00	50 00	
Quincy,	S. C. Woodard,	450 00	188 00	29 00	29 00	3 00
California,	A. W. Torry,	350 00	198 00			1 00
Jonesville,	N. Fassett,	420 00	400 00	100 00	100 00	2 13
Hillsdale,	J. Boynton,	500 00	400 00	p		4 82
Osseo,	E. C. Chambers,	400 00	265 00	p		1 00
Cambria,	I. S. Finch,	250 00	220 00			2 72
Litchfield,	M. B. Camburn,	390 00	390 00	p		1 50
Allen,						
Union City,	J. Clubine, Jr.,	325 00	325 00	p		1 00

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—ISRAEL COGSHALL, P. E.

Kalamazoo District,	Israel Cogshall,	800 00		100 00	100 00	
Kalamazoo,	T. H. Jacokes,	581 00	581 00	p		32 18
Oshtemo,	D. S. Haviland,	488 00	292 00	16 00	16 00	7 63
Schoolcraft,	I. T. Robe,	535 00	400 00	76 00	76 00	15 18
Lawton,	M. Cory,					10 00
Paw Paw,	J. W. Robinson,	500 00	445 00	71 00	71 00	7 00
Decatur,	W. C. H. Bliss,	410 00	204 00	52 00	52 00	
Dowagiac,	E. H. Day,	440 00	440 00	60 00	60 00	10 00
Cassopolis,	E. L. Kellogg,	435 00	373 00	65 00	65 00	10 80
Summerville,	H. Caldwell,	501 00	400 00	p		10 00
Edwardsburg,	P. O. Johnson,	528 00	387 00	p		18 00
Niles,	H. A. Eldred,	650 00	650 00	p		20 00
Buchanan,	V. G. Boynton,	500 00	315 00	p		7 53
New Buffalo,	G. W. Chapin,	275 00	200 00			5 00
Berrien,	G. A. Van Horn,	382 00	300 00	18 00	18 00	3 00
St. Joseph,	Thos. Lyon,	450 00	335 00	75 00	75 00	
Coloma,	Eras. L. Kellogg,	335 00	261 80	p		9 08
	John Hoyt,	321 00	240 00	24 00	24 00	
Lawrence,	T. T. George,	390 00	212 00	50 00	50 00	10 00
	W. I. Blowers,	309 00	188 00			
Otsego,	T. H. Bignell,	450 00	290 00	65 00	52 00	8 00
Cooper,	P. Williams,					4 00
Garrett Bib. Institute,	F. D. Hemingway,	1000 00	1000 00			

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.—J. K. GILLETT, P. E.

Charges.	Names.	SALARY. Claims.	SALARY. Rec'd.	HOUSE RENT. Claims.	HOUSE RENT. Rec'd.	Fifth Col.
Grand Rapids Dist.	J. K. Gillett,	$645 00	$425 00	$104 00	$104 00	
G. Rapids, E. Charge,	H. Morgan,	600 00	600 00	p		36 20
G. Rapids, W. Charge.	R. Pengelly,	500 00	363 00	65 00	65 00	3 61
Kelloggville,	Wm. McKnight,	416 00	207 50	p		5 13
Wayland,	L. M. Bennett,	366 00	262 00	29 00	29 00	9 96
Allegan,	A. A. Dunton,	463 00	206 30	84 00	75 00	4 47
Ganges,	D. Bush,	546 00	197 19	p		
Ganges,	A. J. Van Wick,	180 00	128 00			
Sparta,	J. W. Cawthorn,	400 00	200 00	p		1 00
Sparta,	F. Freeman,	180 00	125 00			
Lamont,	I. Bennett,	450 00	270 00	p		4 40
Muskegon,	D. D. Gillett,	600 00	270 00	p		
Muskegon Rapids,						
White River,	E. D. Mills,	415 00	105 00	p		5 00
Newaygo,	T. B. Granger,	400 00	400 00			
Middleville,	F. W. Jenkins,	459 00	238 81	40 00	40 00	1 75
Laphamville,	A. Wakefield,	401 00	365 61	40 00	40 00	16 00
Greenville,	F. Glass,	466 00	225 00	p		
Flat River,	A. Beach,	410 00	390 00	p		7 90
Flat River,	R. D. McCarthy,	106 66	45 95			
Boston,	J. M. Pratt,	505 00	505 00	p		
Boston,	H. Bement.	185 00	185 00			
Ionia,	R. Sapp,	650 00	650 00	p		4 55

LANSING DISTRICT.

Lansing District,	H. Law,	696 00	495 00	104 00	104 00	
Lansing,	N. Abbott,	550 00	550 00	p		
Grand Ledge,	J. S. Harder,	375 00	270 00	p		9 00
Matherton,	N. L. Otis,	375 00	200 00	p		
Matherton,	I. Braggins,	375 00	200 00	p		
Gratiot,	C. D. Holbrook,	356 00	193 75			
Duplain,	N. L. Brockway,	342 00	163 68	75 00	75 00	5 84
Duplain,	G. M. Sherman,	342 00	163 68	p		
Dewitt,	A. Gore,	354 00	263 90	p		2 80
Dewitt,	H. P. Barker,	302 00	178 00	50 00	50 00	
Mason,	N. Mount,	430 00	330 00	p		4 38
Okemos,	B. Searles,	350 00	200 00	p		3 00
Onondaga,	M. Carpenter,	500 00	251 00	27 00		7 29
Eaton Rapids,	A. L. Critenden,	448 00	381 00	52 00	52 00	6 16
Charlotte,	T. J. Congdon,	430 00	328 00	p		8 11
Charlotte,	J. Fowler, Jr.,	375 00	285 00	25 00	25 00	
Diamondville,	C. Chick, Jr.,	178 74	178 74			3 00
Jackson,	F. B. Bangs,	500 00	500 00	100 00	100 00	5 00
Moscow,	T. J. Hill,	360 00	320 00	p		7 70
Moscow,	L. M. Edmonds,	340 00	340 00	p		

		SALRRY.		HOUSE RENT.		Fifth
		Claims.	Rec'd.	Claims.	Rec'd.	Col.
N. Adams,	E. Crane,	$400 00	$248 00			$9 05
Portland,	T. Clark,	410 00	341 00	p		4 97
Chaplain to State Prison at Jackson,	R. C. Crawford,	500 00	500 00			
do Agri. College,	L. R. Fish,	1000 00	1000 00			
do House of Cor.	J. Summerville,	200 00	200 00			
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.—W. W. JOHNSON, P. E.						
Grand Traverse Dist.,	W.W. Johnson,	520 00	388 00	$30 00	$30 00	
North Port,	L. J. Griffin,					
Elk Rapids,	D. R. Latham,					
Manistee,	J. W. Klepper,	356 00	356 00	7 00	7 00	
Pent Water,	E. Beard,	200 00	160 00			
Traverse Ind. Mis.						
INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT—GEO. BRADLEY, P. E.						
Indian Mission Dist.,	Geo. Bradley,	700 00	700 00	p		4 00
Isabella,	Geo Bradley,					
Pesahgening,	P. Marksman,	350 00	350 00	p		
Oceana,						

II.—GENERAL STATISTICS.

Statistics for Marshall District, Michigan Conference, for 1859.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	Local Preachers	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Soc'y.	For Bible Soc'y.	For Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.
Marshall,	191	3	16		3	4	1	10,000	1	1,000		40 00		35 00		3	32	300	600
Albion	165		11	1	10	5	1	6,000	1	1,500	13 00	47 10	3 63	20 00		2	25	75	200
Battle Creek	173	1	7	2	1		2	7,000	1	1,400		30 00		10 00		1	20	75	300
Leroy	241	4	9	1	15				1	600	5 00	110 00				4			
Hastings	120	1	10	2	5	1			1	900	3 00	4 30				2	20	100	170
Woodland	80	2	6	1	2				1	300						4	27	70	280
Parma	210	1	10	4			3	4,000	1	400	10 12	31 00		16 12		3	25	120	500
Marengo	132	3	11	1	15				1	1,200	4 84	8 15				5	25	140	200
Dover	73	1	5													4	20	129	240
Bellevue	134		26	3	3		1	1,500			1 00	8 89		7 50		1	11	80	150
Prairieville	171		84	3	91							25 00				10	82	266	820
Galesburgh	100	2	14	3	8	4	2	3,000	1	900	11 00	46 55				2	24	130	350
Burlington	194	3	28		3	2	2	1,600			5 35	10 71		11 35		4	22	105	428
South Albion	301	2	33	3			5	4,000	1	500	22 00	53 00				9	60	250	400
Penfield	240	2	60	4	15				1	200	9 40	5 00				8	62	230	635
Leonidas	172	2	25	2	11		1	1,500			5 65	22 20		3 29		4	37	169	300
Total	2,787	27	355	30	182	16	18	38,600	11	8,900	90 36	441 90	3 63	103 26		66	492	2,189	5,573

Statistics for Coldwater District, Michigan Conference, for 1859.

Coldwater	145	3	38	1	8	10	1	1,500	1	1,000	5 76	142 56	10 00	$17 87	5 00	1	25	225	550
Girard	89		2	2	2	1	1	1,300	1	300	1 66	17 45				2	23	100	318
Centreville	156		23	3		4	2	4,000	1	600	11 36	42 60		10 59		3	40	152	425
Three Rivers	214	2	20	2	2	3	2	2,500	1	1,250	10 50	52 60		19 70	2 50	3	59	240	884
Constantine	163		14	1	1		1	1,500	1	600	2 00	33 00			2 00	3	15	200	600
Mottville	177	3	21	1	8		3	3,000				20 00		2 00		5	22	150	500
White Pigeon	44		3			3	1	2,000	1	1,000	4 75	5 15				1	14	83	300
Sturgis	109	1	5	1	1	1	1	1,000	1	800	2 25	46 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1	24	90	200
Burr Oak	99		13	2	7						3 75	9 50				3	25	123	336
Reading	100	1	10			1	1	1,800				7 50		3 92		3	25	70	400
Quincy	136	2	17	3			1	1,500			3 00	14 00		7 00		1	9	30	100
California	135	6	10	3	7	1						20 00				5	25	120	400
Jonesville	114	4	22		5	2	2	2,500			2 13		1 27	6 78	2 05	2	25	150	300
Hillsdale	130	1	20		23	6	1	2,000	1	800	4 82	11 57			3 54	2	35	112	269
Osseo	173	2	48	2	9				1	75		50 00				5	48	169	517
Cambria	247		89	3	25	5					2 73					4	37	108	308
Litchfield	127		32		28	2	1	600	1	500	1 50	20 00				3	29	110	317
Allen	110		40				1	500								1	12	35	50
Union City	160	3	50	5	24		1	1,000	1	200	1 00	40 00				3	14	125	300
Total	2,678	28	477	29	150	39	20	26,700	11	7,125	57 21	531 93	12 27	68 86	16 09	51	506	2,392	7,074

Statistics for Kalamazoo District, Michigan Conference, for 1859.

Kalamazoo	187	4	14	1		5	1	4,000	1	2,000	82 13	66 55			5 64	1	20	300	430
Oshtemo	114		8	4	10						7 63	7 48				3	37	150	600
Schoolcraft	136	1	23	1	7	30	1	2,000			15 13	19 35	2 13	8 26	5 28	5	50	158	630
Lawton	72			1							10 00								
Paw Paw	104	2	10	5	19		1	1,500			7 00	50 00		15 00		2	20	175	500
Decatur	65		8		8											3	16	109	200
Dowagiac	125	1	10	1	15	1	1	3,000			10 00	28 00		15 34		1	7	35	180
Cassopolis	164	1	12	2	7		2	1,500			10 80	10 82		46 38		1	18	88	130
Summerville	182	1	20	1	11	1	2	1,200	1	500	10 00	35 00		3 00		4	37	191	505
Edwardsburgh	164	2	4	1		3	3	3,500	1	900	13 34	34 62		35 00		2	24	125	460
Niles	140	10	10				1	1,000	1	1,500	20 00	61 88				1	26	125	425
Buchanan	200	3	20	1	3		1	1,000	1	650	7 53	25 00			1 00	1	10	25	75
New Buffalo	39		8		2				1	300	5 00	5 00				1	10	40	200
Berrien	152		38	1	5	6	1	100			3 00	22 00			1 00	5	33	159	520
St Joseph	54	1	7	3		1	1	2,500				1 00				2	20	100	250
Coloma	215	6	29	3	5	6			1	600	9 08	28 00	1 00	4 00		6	40	200	580
Lawrence	178	6	46		7	3			1	100	10 00	2 33				7	34	107	312
Otsego	91		17	1	3		1	2,000			8 00	36 00				1	10	55	140
Cooper	77		15		6						4 00	6 00				1	7	19	
Total	2,459	38	299	26	103	56	16	23,300	8	6,550	182 64	438 63	3 13	126 98	12 92	47	414	2,161	6,037

Statistics for Grand Rapids District, Michigan Conference, for 1859.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	Local Preachers	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Soc'y.	For Bible Soc'y.	For Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.
Grand Rapids																			
East Charge	223		6	2	4	4	1	3,000	1	3,000	6 36	22 18	3 00	4 47	5 35	2	25	150	550
West Charge	116		9	3	19	7	1	900			3 61	12 02				2	26	125	400
Kelloggville	242	1	73	3	40	4			1	800	5 13	5 00			2 20	7	72	225	900
Wayland	77		35	1	1	1					9 90	25 21	1 92	2 80	2 56	5	38	130	477
Allegan	108	1	26	1	1	1	1	2,000			4 47	5 00							
Ganges	100	1	30			2			2	900						8	51	196	500
Sparta	129	3	26		1	7			1	400	50	2 00				1	6	20	50
Lamont	112	1	19	3	1		1	900	1	500	4 40	8 00				4	26	95	300
Muskegon	20		4		2	1	1	12,000	1	200		8 00				1	10	75	200
Muskegon Rapids	24	1	10		8	2													
White River	32		4		4				1	150	4 81					4			
Newaygo	10				3											1	6	30	200
Middleville	85	1	17	1	1	2	1	150	1	600	1 74					3	20	70	
Laphamville	187		43	2	12	2					16 00					7	62	202	316
Greenville	116	2	27	1	16		1	2,000	1	500		2 50		5 00		1	28	85	100
Flat River	270	1	88	2	10		1	1,000	1	600	7 90	10 25				3	30	125	326
Boston	290	1	50	2	75	25			1	700						2	20	125	
Ionia	248	2	82	1	22	3	2	1,600	1	1,000	4 55	20 09		60 00		2	24	182	400
Total	2,389	15	504	22	215	61	10	23,550	13	9,350	69 37	120 25	4 92	71 77	10 11	53	444	1,835	4,719

Statistics for Lansing District, Michigan Conference, for 1859.

Lansing	145	8		1		3	2	6,000	1	1,000		17 00				2	24	150	500
Grand Ledge	167	4	18	4	5	2			1	300	9 00	24 00			2 50	7	65	212	670
Matherton	220	1	80	5	5	5			2	1,600		17 89				5	55	125	300
Gratiot	135		28	2	12	1								1 07		1	28	75	200
Duplain	154		10	1	3		1	1,700	1	30	5 84	49 55			1 06	5	41	170	259
Maple Rapids	100	4	18	1	14				1	350						4	82	100	
Dewitt	310	2	7	5	7	6			1	750	2 00					6	52	147	574
Mason	118	3	50	1	13		1	1,500	1	200	4 38	14 58				1	10	32	50
Okemos	115	1	43	3	3	6			1	300	3 00					3	15	100	250
Onondaga	87	1	74		51						7 29					3	24	93	242
Eaton Rapids	159	2	17	2	7		1	3,000			6 16	8 47				3	31	175	379
Charlotte	275	4	52	3	8	7	2	3,500	1	1,000	8 11	13 09			77	8	80	220	700
Diamondville	89	2	15	2	4	1					3 00	1 00				3	25	106	229
Jackson	107	1	6	1	1		1	5,000	1	3,000	5 00	20 00		13 50	6 00	1	20	135	300
Moscow	219	4	48	3	33		1	1,500	2	1,000	7 70	24 11		4 04	3 50	9	90	277	693
North Adams	131	1	3	1	4	1	1	300			9 05	19 08			37	2	17	45	188
Portland	195	1	13	7	8	5	1	300	1	1,000	5 00	12 00			2 00	5	38	130	600
Total	2,721	39	482	42	178	37	11	22,800	14	10,530	75 53	220 77		18 61	16 20	68	647	2,292	6,134

Statistics for Grand Traverse District, Michigan Conference, for 1859.

Traverse City	7		7									7 40				2	6	35	300
Northport	35	1		1												2	6	40	150
Elk Rapids	7																		
Manistee	2			1		8			1	400						1	6	40	150
Pentwater	18		10		1											1	5	12	35
Traverse Ind. Mis																			
Total	64	1	17	2	1	8			1	400		7 40				6	23	127	635

Statistics for Indian Mission District, Michigan Conference, for 1859.

Isabella	252	6		5	10	25			1	100						1	2	25	50
Saginaw Bay	78	2	2			3			1	25									
Oceana	180	3		1	10	15													
Total	500	11	2	6	20	43			2	125						1	2	25	50

RECAPITULATION.

Marshall District,	2,787	27	355	30	182	16	18	38,600	11	8,900	90 86	441 90	3 63	103 26		66	492	2,189	5,573
Coldwater "	2,678	28	477	29	150	39	20	26,700	11	7,125	57 21	531 93	12 27	68 86	16 09	51	506	2,392	7,074
Kalamazoo "	2,459	38	299	26	103	56	16	23,300	8	6,550	182 64	488 63	3 13	126 98	12 92	47	413	2,161	60,357
Grand Rapids "	2,389	15	504	22	215	61	10	23,550	13	9,530	69 37	120 25	4 92	71 77	10 11	53	444	1,835	4,719
Lansing "	2,721	39	482	42	178	37	11	22,800	14	10,530	75 53	220 77		18 61	16 20	68	647	2,292	6,037
Gr'd Traverse "	64	1	17	2	1	8			1	400		7 40				6	23	27	635
Ind. Mission "	500	11	2	6	20	43			2	125						1	2	25	500
Total	13,598	159	2,146	157	849	260	75	134,950	60	33,780	475 11	1,760 88	28 95	389 48	95 68	292	1,527	11,021	30,672

VIII.—MISCELLANY.

I.—REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Education in its best sense is perceptively and legitimately a fruit of christianity. Any branch of the christian church that neglects the proper education of children and youth within its reach, is neglecting a great responsibility and a valuable means of usefulness.

The Methodist Church, as its history will show, has from the first, manifested a commendable zeal and interest in the cause of education.

We have scatterd over the land seminaries, colleges, and universities, and they are constantly being multiplied in number, and improved in their condition.

The Hon. Edward Everett gives us, as a christian denomination, the credit of being second to no other christian denomination, in our efforts, zeal and success in this enterprise, but having done well in the past, we should seek to do better at the present and in the future.

As a Conference, we have under our supervision, in connection with the Detroit Conference, a Seminary at Albion, of a high order, with a College Department for ladies. The College Department will compare favorably with any ladies' college in our land. The Seminary Department is worthy to be regarded as of the first class, yet we would respectfully suggest that the friends and patrons, and the officers, should contemplate making, at no distant period, provision for a collegiate course of study for young gentlemen, as well as young ladies.

In support of this suggestion, we would mention the interesting fact, that Union Schools in our villages and cities are offering privileges and facilities to students equal to our first class seminaries. Other denominations are endowing colleges. To take our proper position in the cause of education, we should also be able to offer in this State, collegiate privileges to young men as well as to young ladies.

Your Committee are happy in being able to direct the attention of the church to the N. W. University and Garrett Biblical Institute, located at Evenston, Ill. The University is liberally endowed for one of such recent origin, and the prospect is, as your Committee understand, that the endowment fund will greatly increase within a few years by the donations of liberal and wealthy friends who have committed themselves to its support, and by the increase in value and sale of lands which already belong to the University fund. The University, so far as human probabilities may determine, and by the blessing of a gracious Providence, has before it a promising future.

The Garrett Biblical Institute is the only one of the kind which we, as a denomination, have in the Great West. We cheerfully acknowledge it as our conviction, that young men among us, who are manifestly called of God to the solemn and responsible work of the ministry, should have the opportunity furnished them by our own church, of securing the advantages of a collegiate and theological education. But our obligations stop not here: we should provide for the most perfect education of the children of all of the members and friends of our church.

Your Committee would submit for your adoption, the following resolutions:—

Resolved, 1. That we have confidence in the ability and willingness of the church to support and amply endow the institutions of learning we now have, and to create as many more as the wants of the church may require.

Resolved, 2. That we have confidence in the Faculty and in the Board of Trustees of the Albion Seminary and Female College, and do hereby renew our pledge in all suitable ways to aid in promoting its success.

Resolved, 3. That we cheerfully recommend our young men who may be candidates for the ministry among us, to avail themselves, if practicable, of the advantages afforded by the Garrett Biblical Institute.

Resolved, 4. That we recommend the re-election of T. C. Gardner, as Trustee to N. W. University.

II.—REPORT ON CONFERENCE SEMINARY.

Your Committee, on Conference Seminary, beg leave to present that after due consideration of the Report of the Trustees of the Albion Seminary, to them referred, find it altogether satisfactary, in view of all the facts, and consider the institution in a state of general prosperity, *equal*, if not *superior*, to that of former years.

And we also find that the course pursued in finances, by the present Board, embracing collecting agent, evinces an unusual degree of energy, and success, doing honor to them, and foreshadowing better days at hand.

We also believe that the current expenses of the Seminary have been managed with commendable prudence and economy during the past year; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we have increasing confidence in the Institution, as managed and conducted by the present Board of Trustees and Faculty.

Resolved, 2. That we regard the Albion Seminary and Female College, with their able Faculty, philosophical and astronomical fixtures, together with its other appliances, as presenting superior inducements for thorough moral and intellectual training.

Resolved, 3. That we recommend the Conference to re-appoint T. H. Sinex, President, and C. C. Olds, Professor in said Seminary.

Resolved, 4. That in view of vacancies in the Board of Trustees, we recommend J. C. Blanchard, Esq., to fill that occurring by resignation of Comfort Tyler, and William Bort and William Farley to fill those by expiration of time.

Your committee have also been instructed by the Conference to nominate a Board of Visitors to the Seminary, and the following are presented: R. Sapp, I. Coggshall, H. Morgan, E. H. Day, H. Hall, Miss A. C. Rogers, Miss Cornelia B. Sabin, Mrs. H. A. Blanchard, Mrs. S. W. Walker.

All which, together with Trustees report, is submitted.

HORACE HALL, W. W. JOHNSON,
J. ODELL, J. T. ROBE.
S. A. OSBORN,

III.—REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE WESLEYAN SEMIMARY AND FEMALE COLLEGE AT ALBION, FOR THE COLLEGIATE YEAR 1858-9.

This Institution has enjoyed another year of prosperity. Three hundred and forty [340] students have been in attendance during the year, of which number, one hundred and eighty-four were ladies, and one hundred and fifty-six gentlemen. Eleven ladies completed the college course of study and received the degree of "Mistress of Science and the Arts." The commencement and examina-

tions were not merely satisfactory, but they have received the highest commendations from patrons and visitors. The course of study remains as heretofore, and but few changes have been made in text books. For names of graduates, classification of students, course of study, text books, terms, &c., we respectfully refer to the printed catalogue and circular, with which your Conference will be furnished by our agent. We would also refer you to the Visitor's Report for further information in reference to examinations and commencement exercises.

The Faculty elected for the ensuing year, is the same as for two years previous, with the exception of Music Teacher. Mr. Henry Meakin, of Detroit, succeeds Prof. Gurney, whose business recalled him to New England. The instruction given, discipline maintained, and the transactions of financial business, have all been satisfactory. The institution has, in our judgment, not only maintained itself, but has gained in the confidence and sympathy of the public.

The Receipts and Expenditures for the year 1858-9, *were as follows:*

RECEIPTS.

Collections on notes, principal and interest,	$3,139 40
Interest on notes and mortgages,	517 16
Instrumental and vocal music,	500 00
Painting and drawing,	102 15
Rent of scholarships,	104 50
Incidental fees,	437 37
Rents of buildings and rooms,	355 00
Graduation fees, catalogues, etc.,	59 34
	$5,214 92

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries of teachers and agents,	$3,925 00
Janitor work,	136 31
Fuel and lights,	160 86
Agent's traveling expenses,	139 07
Trustees traveling expenses,	38 90
Legal services and contingent fees,	75 73
Stationery, postage and express charges,	14 27
Insurance,	137 50
Repairs and improvements,	371 94
Printing catalogues,	60 00
	$5,059 58

Five vacancies occur in the Board of Trustees by expiration of time, and one by resignation.

Your Conference should elect two Trustees for the term of three years, and one for one year, in place of Comfor Tyler, resigned.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. FARLEY,
T. H. SINEX,
C. M. COBB,
} *Committee.*

IV.—REPORT ON SLAVERY.

The Committee on Slavery would respectfully present the following Report:

Your Committee deem it unnecessary to to enter upon the discussion of the general question of slavery.

The uniformity of sentiment existing in the minds of the members of this Conference touching the nature of the institution of slavery, its relentless infringement of *all right*, justice and truth, in the relations of humanity, is a just cause for congratulation.

The only question which remains to us as a Conference is, "What shall be done for the extirpation of the evil of slavery?"

In response to this grave, yet earnest inquiry, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions. The first and second, with the intent to secure as far as practicable, harmony in the general action and administration of the church. The third and fourth, as expressive of the primary judgment of this Conference, and to reach the only form of efficient action which may be left to the General Conference.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1. By the members of the Michigan Annual Conference, in Conference assembled, that we concur with the action of the Providence Conference in requesting the next General Conference to change or amend the existing General Rule on Slavery, so that the amended rule will read, "Slaveholding, the buying or selling of men, women or children with an intention to enslave them."

Resolved, 2. That we recommend to the next General Conference to suspend the fourth restrictive rule for the purpose specified in the foregoing resolution.

Resolved, 3. That we hereby re-affirm the action of this Conference as contained in resolutions three and four in the report of the Committee on Slavery, made and adopted at the last session of this Conference, to wit: That we repudiate as oppressive, the doctrine that the Methodist Episcopal Church is constitutionally a slaveholding church,—that it is the sense of this Conference that the present general rule on slavery does not allow the holding of a human being as a slave.

Resolved, 4. That in case the next General Conference shall not change or amend the general rule on slavery by requisite constitutional majority, so as to secure substantially the prohibition intended by the rule as contained in the first resolution of this report; then, and therefore, we respectfully ask the next General Conference to interpret the general rule on slavery in conformity with the views expressed in the preceding resolution, by appending a foot note in the following words: This rule does not allow the holding of a human being as a slave.

Resolved. 5. That we, with due respect to the Conferences concerned, lay the General Rule as adopted by the Erie and Cincinnati Conference, upon the table.

H. JACOKES, V. G. BOYNTON,
R. SAPP, S. C. WOODARD.
THOS. H. SINEX,

V.—REPORT ON THE BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause submit the following:

Resolved, 1. That the American Bible Society, by steadily carrying out its original purpose of disseminating the Holy Scriptures without note or comment, in all the earth, continues to merit the hearty support of every christian and philanthropist.

Resolved, 2. That its work of Bible distribution in this State as prosecuted by its auxiliaries and general agent, is of great importance to the cause of Christ, and shall continue to have our cöoperation.

Resolved, 3. That the increase of its receipts from this State for the past two years, is matter of thanksgiving to God as arguing a higher appreciation of its noble objects by the people generally, and an increase of christian liberality.

Resolved, 4. That we will cöoperate with the general agent of the Society in this State, as heretofore, in promoting in every proper way, the interests of this great cause.

D. D. GILLET,
E. CRANE,
E. H. DAY.

VI.—ON TEMPERANCE.

Resolved, 1. That we reaffirm our former ground of unbending hostility to the use and sale of intoxicating liquors, as a beverage.

Resolved, 2. That while moral means is our preferred mode of overthrowing the great evil of intemperance, we will never hesitate to employ legal prohibition or restriction, when government shall enact laws for this object, and the moral sentiment is equal to their enforcement.

Resolved, 3. That in the wisdom of a better experience, we will never consent that the interests of this moral movement be the monopoly of a party.

A. J. ELDRED,
L. W. EARL,
J. S. HARDER, } *Committee.*

VII.—MUSKEGON CHURCH.

The Committee to whom the interest of the Church at Meskegon was referred, ask leave to Report:

Your Committee find the Board of Trustees of the Church at Muskegon involved in a debt of some two thousand dollars. This amount they are unable to liquidate without foreign aid. In view of this fact and the statement made to the Conference by the Rev. D. D. Gillett, your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we hereby tender our thanks, as a Conference, to the friends who have assisted by their means and influence in the erection of the church in Muskegon, and express our confidence in the integrity of those concerned in the management of the enterprise.

Resolved, 2. That we recommend the appointment of Bro. D. D. Gillett as agent to go abroad to solicit funds for the liquidation of the debt incurred in the erection of the church at Muskegon.

Resolved, 3. That we hereby commend the agent and the above named enterprise to the attention and liberality of all to whom application may be made.

T. H. JACOKES,
H. PENFIELD,
F. B. BANGS, } *Committees.*

VIII.—REPORT ON PARSONAGES.

The Committee on Parsonages have had the subject under consideration and would respectfully Report:

That in their judgment there is a commendable interest manifest on the part of both preachers and people in building parsonages.

The preachers from experience, and the laymen from reflection and observation, must acknowledge that parsonages are not only a great convenience to both preachers and people, but a matter of financial economy. Yet from the force of circumstances many charges are without a parsonage.

Your Committee would, therefore, recommend for your favorable consideration and adoption, the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That each preacher who may be appointed to a charge having no parsonage, should use his best endeavors to secure a commodious parsonage in a pleasant and desirable location the present Conference year.

Resolved, 2. That each preacher having the privilege of occupying a pasonage, should manifest a proper care to prevent any injury to the parsorage or premises that might arise from carelessness or neglect on the part of himself or family, and that he manifests an interest in making or securing all desirable improvements which convenience or good taste may require.

Resolved, 3. That each preacher in charge should advise the people of his charge to furnish parsonages with all necessary heavy furniture.

M. A. DAUGHERTY,
J. E. McALLISTER,
H. MORGAN,
} *Committee.*

IX.—REPORT ON LAY REPRESENTATION.

The Committee to whom was referred the action of the Oregon and East Genesee Annual Conferences, on the subject of Lay Delegation, would submit the following Report:

Your Committee have had the subject of Lay Delegation under careful and patient consideration. It is well known that the Methodist Episcopal Church does now more fully and more successfully than *any* other, call into exercise her Laity. This is seen in her Lay or Quarterly Conferences, and the perogatives exercised thereby, especially so in that of licensing to preach, and the authorizing of the Annual Conferences, whom they may receive as Pastors of the Church, with all that pertains to the financial and social interests. But if the Laity can be introduced, also *induced* to share yet more fully the responsibility of the Church, if such can be accomplished so as not to mar but rather to improve and strengthen our most excellent Church Government, we shall hail the achievement as one peculiarly desirable. That advantages might be attained by the judicious introduction of the Laity as co-laborers in our common cause, in some other form than that already had, is probable.

Yet we cannot be regardless of the numerous difficulties to be met in the attainment of this change. And the greatest of which to us is, the fact that no laymen, either in person or by petition, has ever appeared before this body to ask for the above named change. It will be time enough, therefore, to recommend this measure and plans for effecting it, when our Laity shall in any considerable

numbers ask for the introduction of Lay Delegation to the Annual or General Conference. Till then, we beg leave to report adverse to the change proposed by the Oregon and East Genesee Conferences.

J. BOYNTON,
R. PENGELLY,
S. STEELE,
} *Committee.*

X.—MEMOIR OF REV. GEO. BIGNELL.

Died, in the village of Ionia, Dec. 31st, 1858, of consumption, Rev. George Bignell, of the Michigan Annual Conference, aged 36 years.

In early childhood was susceptible to religious impressions and influences, and at the age of ten years was powerfully converted to God. Soon after undergoing this great change he offered himself as a probation to the church, but he was refused admittance on the plea of his being too young; this refusal to admit him on trial had its discouraging effects, and was instrumental in his backsliding and loosing his first love; several years after, on removing to this State with his parents, he was re-awakened and returned from his wanderings under the labors of Rev. D. C. Jacokes.

In connection with this change and the new relation which it brought to the church of Christ, his mind became subject again to a class of reflections peculiar alone to the ambassador of the cross. In early youth he had felt, that if he ever became a christian, it would be his duty and lot to be a minister of Christ.

These feelings were revived with great distinctness, and elicited his entire attention and agitated his whole being, yet being of a modest and unpretending disposition, he thought it too great a work for him to stand up for Jesus and preach him as the Saviour of sinning and perishing men, and consequently he shrank from the greatness of the responsibility for a time.

But the church having become satisfied that he was divinely called to the ministry, took upon her part the preliminary steps to thrust him forth into that work by licensing him to exhort. In May, 1845, two years after, he was licensed to preach, and employed by the P. E. to labor on Farmington circuit. In 1848, he was received on trial in the Michigan Conference at Kalamazoo, and appointed to Talmadge Circuit, and from this time forward to the close of his ministry, was appointed as follows, viz: to Paris, Allegan, Hastings, Ionia, Greenville and Edwardsburgh Charges, in all of which he labored with zeal, acceptability and success. Early in the second year on Edwardsburgh Circuit, his health, which had been impaired by severe sickness at Greenville, permanently failed, and he was compelled to give up his loved work and retire from the field of conflict and toil.

He returned to the village of Ionia, where he might spend the little space of life yet remaining to him, in the midst of those who had been won to Christ through his ministry; and here, in the midst of these friends, just as the old year was in its last struggle, he closed up his life and gave back his victorious spirit to the God who gave it. As to the fullness and completeness of this victory, the reader may judge from the following incident, which transpired but a few days before his decease. A small circle of friends were in his room, and he requested them to sing. They commenced with the couplet,

> "Could we but climb where Moses stood,
> And view the landscape o'er."

"Stop! Stop!" he exclaimed, "I am done climbing, I am up there; sing

'The promised land, from Pisgah's top, I now exult to see,
My hope is full, a glorious hope, of immortality.'"

And he passed away to his reward, filled with this blessed hope of immortality.

R. SAPP.

IX.—RESOLUTIONS.

I.—COLON SEMINARY.

Whereas, There have been proposals on the part of the Trustees and patrons of the Colon Seminary, to transfer the institution to this Conference, therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend the appointment of a Committee of three to consider its expediency, and to communicate with the Trustees on the subject.

Resolved, That we recommend the appointment of T. H. Jacokes, the Presiding Elder of Marshall District and the Preacher in charge of Leonidas circuit, to constitute such Committee.

II.—ON ESTABLISHING A BRANCH BOOK CONCERN AT CHICAGO.

Whereas, In the order of Divine Providence a large proportion of the ministers and members of the M. E. Church would be accommodated by a more extensive development of our publishing interests at some central point in the North-west: *And whereas*, in view of the prospective growth and increase of the population of this section of the country, it is incumbent upon the church to make wise provision for the future, therefore,

Resolved, That we respectfully request the next General Conference to erect the Depository at Chicago into a Branch Book Concern, with an Agent having all the privileges and immunities now enjoyed by the branch concern at Cincinnati.

III.—ON RAISING FUNDS FOR CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

Resolved, 1. That the Stewards of the Conference be requested to ascertain what amount will be necessary to meet the claim of the superannuated preachers, and widows and orphans of deceased preachers; and that the Presiding Elders apportion the same to the several Presiding Elder Districts.

Resolved, 2. That the Presiding Elders and District Stewards apportion the same to the several charges with the advice of the Stewards, (where the Stewards are disposed to co-operate, otherwise at his own discretion,) to apportion such amount to the several classes.

Resolved, 3. That when the Conference Stewards make their call, each preacher having had charge shall state the amount apportioned to his charge, and if he has not raised the amount, to give the reason why he has not.

AMENDMENT.

Resolved, That we instruct the Conference Stewards to require of the claimants upon the Conference funds, a statement of their receipts for the past year in the business he has pursued.

Resolved, That in the examination of the characters of Presiding Elders and the Preachers in charge, be inquired of if they have done the duty assigned to them in regard to raising funds to meet the wants of Conference claimants.

The Committee to whom was referred the division of the amount necessary to meet the demands of superannuated Preachers and other Conference claimants among the several districts, would respectfully submit the following Report:

The amount necessary to meet the claims, $820, apportioned to,

Marshall District,	$180
Coldwater District,	180
Kalamazoo District,	180
Grand Rapids District,	125
Lansing District,	125
Grand Traverse District,	20
Isabella Mission,	10
Total,	$820

PRESIDING ELDERS, *Committee.*

IV.—INSTRUCTING DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE.

Resolved, That we instruct our Delegates to General Conference, to give their influence to strike from the Discipline all distinctions between, to Quarterage and Table Expenses, and leave the respective Quarterly Conferences free to give the Preachers a salary in such amount as to them may seem proper.

RULES OF MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

1. The Conference shall meet at 8 o'clock, A. M., and adjourn at 12, M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjournment at their discretion.

2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the hour to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journal of the preceding day read and approved.

3. The President shall decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Conference, but in case of an appeal the question shall be taken without debate.

4. He shall appoint all committees, not otherwise especially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.

5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing if the President, Secretary or any other member request it.

6. When a motion, or resolution, or report presented, is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed as in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before *decision* or amendment.

7. No new motion or resolution shall be made until the one under consideration is disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motions shall have precedence in the order on which they are placed, viz: Indefinite postponement; laying on the table; reference to a committee; postponement to any given time; or amendment.

8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities, or disrespectful language, but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, or any member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

9. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time without leave of Conference. Nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the majority to move a reconsideration.

12. No member shall absent himself from the services of Conference without leave, unless he be sick or unable to attend.

13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar at the time when such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.

14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.

15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.

16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of Conference, and when approved shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference and preserve them with care, suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference, except with the consent of the Conference, and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.

17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.

18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of the Conference until he has first given information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defense.

19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objections are to be made, to the President of the Conference, who shall pass the name by to be investigated in secret session, at such time as the Conference may direct.

ALPHABETICAL LIST.

MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE WITH THEIR POST OFFICE.

Names.	P. O. Address.
Abbott, N.	Lansing.
Abbott, J. C.	Galesburgh.
Bangs, F. B.	Jackson.
Barker, H. P.	St. Johns.
Bennett, J.	Edwardsburgh.
Bennett, L. M.	Otsego.
Beach, A.	Flat River.
Bignell, T. H.	Bellevue.
Billings, A.	Parma.
Boynton, J.	Hastings.
Boynton, V. G.	Eaton Rapids.
Bradley, Geo.	Albany, Isabella Co.
Braggins, J.	Matherton.
Brockway, N. L.	Sturgis.
Brockway, W. H.	Concord.
Buel, J. I.	Burlington.
Burns, D.	Coldwater.
Camburn, M. B.	Litchfield.
Cawthorn, J. W.	St. Johns.
Chambers, E. C.	Burr Oak.
Chapin, G. W.	White River.
Carpenter, M.	Eaton Rapids.
Clark, Thos.	Maple Rapids.
Clubine, J.	Union City.
Comfort, W. C.	Coldwater.
Cogshall, I.	Albion.
Congdon, T. J.	North Adams.
Coplin, A.	Allen.
Coplin, W. M.	Grand Ledge.
Crane, E.	Litchfield.
Crawford, R. C.	Niles.
Critendon, A. L.	De Witt.
Daugherty, M. A.	Grand Rapids.
Day, E. H.	Dowagiac.
Doughty, B. F.	Constantine.
Doust, Wm.	Quincy.
Dunton, A. A.	Allegan.
Earl, L. W.	Hillsdale.
Edmonds, L. M.	Charlotte.
Eldred, A. J.	Niles.
Fassett, N.	Reading.
Fisk, L. R.	Lansing.
Fowler, J.	Vermontville.
George, T. T.	Coloma.
Gillet, D. D.	Muskegon.
Gillet, J. K.	Grand Rapids.
Glass,	Greenville.
Gore, A.	Onondaga.
Granger, T. B.	Newago.
Griffin, L. J.	Oceana.
Hall, Horace	Grand Haven.
Harder, J. S.	Lawton.
Hazzard,	Mottville.
Hendrickson, S.	Ann Arbor.
Hemenway, F. D.	Evanston, Ill.
Hill, T. J.	Moscow.
Hoag, G. W.	Oshtemo.
Holdstock, E.	Marshall.
Hoyt, John	Dover.
Jacokes, T. H.	Marshall.
Jennings, J.	Kalamazoo.
Johnson, P. O.	Decatur.
Johnson, W. W.	Buchanan.
Kellogg, Erastus L.	Lawrence.
Kellogg, Edward L.	Cassopolis.
Law, H.	Lansing.
Lyon, Thos.	St. Joseph.
Marksman, P.	Saginaw Bay.
McAllister, J. C.	White Pigeon.
McCarthy, R. D.	Cooper.
McKnight, W.	Kelloggville.
Morgan, H.	Homer.
Mount, N.	Mason.
Odell, J.	Battle Creek.
Olds, C. C.	Albion.
Otis, N. L.	Portland.
Osburn, S. A.	Leroy.
Penfield, H.	Three Rivers.
Pengelly, R.	Grand Rapids.
Pitezel, J. H.	Albion.
Pratt, J. M.	Boston,
Palmer, G. D.	Moscow.
Robe, J. T.	Schoolcraft.
Robinson, J. W.	Paw Paw.
Sabin, B.	Homer.
Sapp, R.	Ionia.
Smith, M. I.	Sparta.
Sinex, T. H.	Albion.
Steele, S.	Grand Traverse.
Summerville, J.	Lansing.
Taylor, I.	Girard.
Thomas, D.	Richland.
Thomas, I. N.	Bedford.
Torrey, A. W.	Osceo.
Wakefield, A.	Austerlitz.
Woodard, S. C.	Quincy.
Young, E. D.	Centerville.
Van Horn, Geo. A.	New Buffalo.

PROBATIONERS.

Names.	P. O. Address.
Beard, E.	Manistee.
Bement, H. H.	Lamont.
Bliss, W. C. H.	Ganges.
Caldwell, H.	Summerville.
Chick, C.	Crystal Lake.
Child, J. L.	Flat River.
Dayton, J. N.	Kelloggville.
Engle, D.	Berrien Springs.
Freeman, F.	Grand Ledge.
Haviland, D. S.	Berrien Springs.
Holdbrook, C. D.	Dewitt.
Jenkins, W. F.	Middleville.
Joy, H. M.	Coloma.
Klepper, J. W.	North Port.
Latham, D. R.	Elk Rapids.
Lee, G. D.	California.
Mason, Uri	Gratiot.
Marble, E.	Leonidas.
Pattison, H. A.	Marengo.
Searles, B. D.	Matherton.
Sherman, G. W.	Okemos.
Sprague, J. A.	Portland.
Steele, N. M.	Pentwater.
Stafford, Wm.	Penfield.
Tuthill, G. W.	Waverly.
Van Wyck, A. J.	Boston.
Wheeler, A. C.	Austerlitz.

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The Twenty-Fifth Annual Session of the MICHIGAN CONFERENCE OF THE M. E. CHURCH was held at Ionia, commencing Thursday, September 27th, 1860, at 8 o'clock A. M.—Bishop M. Simpson presiding.

The session was opened with reading the scriptures, singing and prayer by the Bishop, assisted by Revds. D. Thomas and W. H. Brockway.

The roll of Conference was called by the Secretary of last year, and seventy-seven members responded to their names. The Conference was then organized by the election of Thos. H. Sinex, Secretary, and I. Taylor and A. A. Dunton, Assistant Secretaries.

The APPOINTMENTS were announced on Tuesday, Oct. 2d, about 10 o'clock P. M.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Public Worship—R. Sapp, D. D. Gillett, H. Hall.

Stewards—M. B. Camburn, W. W. Johnson, F. Glass, A. L. Crittenden, S. Steele.

Mission Auditing—J. Jennings, M. A. Daugherty, H. Morgan.

On Education—T. H. Jacokes, W. C. Comfort, Thos. Lyon, R. Pengelly, V. G. Boynton, J. H. Pitezel.

On Temperance—E. Crane, T. B. Granger, J. Boynton.

On Bible Cause—H. Penfield, S. A. Osborn, J. S. Harder.

On Publication of Minutes—T. H. Sinex, R. C. Crawford, I. Cogshall.

On Tract Cause—W. C. Comfort, N. Mount, J. I. Buell.

On Statistics—J. W. Robinson, T. H. Bignell, B. F. Doughty, A. Wakefield, L. M. Edmonds, L. J. Griffin.

On Sunday Schools—W. H. Brockway, J. E. McAllister, J. T. Robe, A. Beach, T. J. Hill, W. McKnight.

On Seminary and Female College—F. B. Bangs, A. Billings, N. Fassett, E. L. Kellogg, G. W. Chapin, T. Clark.

On Memoirs—M. A. Daugherty, N. Abbott, R. Sapp.

On Missions—Presiding Elders.

On Parsonages—I. Bennett, G. W. Hoag, T. J. Congdon.

On Post Offices—E. D. Young.

On Orphans and Widows—E. H. Day, J. Braggins, N. L. Brockway, L. M. Bennett, W. H. Brockway, I. Bennett.

On Churches and Church Building—N. Abbott, J. Boynton, J. M. Pratt, G. A. Van Horn, L. W. Earl.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

Question 1.—Who are admitted on trial?

O. F. Chase, Charles H. Fisher, James Billing, Lathan N. Garlick, John W. Miller, Peter Greensky, Daniel O. Fox, Amos Benson, Charles T. Van Antwerp, Henry C. Peck, Charles E. McCollister, Edward Wilkinson, I. H. Messmore.

Question 2.—Who remain on trial?

Elisha Marble, Holmes A. Pattison, Henry M. Joy, Geo. D. Lee, David Engle, Geo. W. Tuthill, James L. Child, Amos C. Wheeler, Jonathan A. Sprague, Newell Cleveland, Uri Mason, James N. Dayton, A. J. Van

Wyck, F. J. Freeman, W. C. H. Bliss, Wm. Stafford, Wm. F. Jenkins, Charles Chick, Jr., Geo. W. Sherman.

QUESTION 3.—Who are admitted into full connection?

Edgar Beard, N. Maffit Steele, Horace H. Bement, David R. Latham, Daniel S. Haviland, Hugh Caldwell.

QUESTION 4.—Who are the Deacons?

Edgar Beard,* N. Maffit Steele,* Horace H. Bement,* David R. Latham,* Daniel S. Haviland,* Hugh Caldwell, A. C. Hazzard, Geo. W. Chapin, Augustus W. Torrey, R. D. McCarthy, M. I. Smith, Alonzo Coplin, T. T. George, John Hoyt, Lewis M. Edmonds, James I. Buell, A. Gore, Lewis J. Griffin, Wm. Doust, L. R. Fisk, A. Beach, J. Clubine, G. D. Palmer, J. M. Pratt.

QUESTION 5.—Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

Wm. M. Coplin, G. A. Van Horn, T. J. Congdon, Erastus L. Kellogg.

QUESTION 6.—Who have located this year?

J. Summerville, S. Hendrickson.

QUESTION 7.—Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?

B. Sabin, S. C. Woodard, J. H. Pitezel, E. Crane, I. C. Abbott.

QUESTION 8.—Who have been expelled this year?

None.

QUESTION 9.—Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?

None.

QUESTION 10.—Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?

The names of all the preachers were called over and their characters examined.

QUESTION 11.—Who have died this year?

John K. Gillett. (See memoir.)

* Ordained this year.

QUESTION 12.—What is the number of church members, &c.?

(See statistics.)

QUESTION 13.—What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Seven hundred and twenty dollars.

QUESTION 14.—What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?

From the several charges as Fifth Collection,		$677 17
From the Chartered Fund, - - - - -		25 00
Total, - - - - -		$702 17
Distributed as follows:		
To S. C. Woodard, - - -	$161 88	
" Mrs. Staples, - - -	124 00	
" Mrs. Bignell, - - - -	172 00	
" Mrs. King, - - - -	100 00	
" Mrs. Brakeman, - - -	100 00	
" J. K. Gillett's children, -	44 29	
		$702 17
From the Parkurst Fund, - - - - -		$15 00
Distributed as follows:		
To Mrs. Staples, - - -	$3 75	
" Mrs. Bignell, - - - -	4 25	
" Mrs. King, - - - -	3 50	
" Mrs. Brakeman, - - -	3 50	
		$15 00

QUESTION 15.—Where are the preachers stationed this year?

MARSHALL DISTRICT.

E. HOLDSTOCK, P. E.

Marshall—*J. Boynton.*	Burlington—*S. A. Osborn.*
Albion—*I. Cogshall.*	Leroy—*T. H. Bignell.*
Parma—*A. Billings.*	Battle Creek—*R. Sapp.*
Springport—*To be supplied.*	Bellevue—*T. B. Granger.*
Jackson—*N. Abbott.*	Union City—*E. C. Chambers.*
Homer—*Thos. Lyon.*	Bedford—*John Hoyt.*
Concord—*I. N. Tomes.*	Assyria—*C. H. Fisher.*
Marengo—*A. Coplin.*	Leonidas—*H. A. Pattison.*
Partello—*O. F. Chase.*	Moscow—*W. M. Coplin, G. D. Palmer.*

Thos. H. Sinex, President, and *C. C. Olds,* Professor, Albion Female College, members of Albion Quarterly Conference.

COLDWATER DISTRICT.

THOS. H. JACOKES, P. E.

Coldwater—*A. L. Crittenden.*
Gerard—*T. J. Hill.*
Centreville—*J. E. McAllister.*
Three Rivers—*D. Burns.*
Constantine—*N. L. Brockway.*
Quincy—*Wm. Doust.*
California—*A. C. Hazzard.*
Jonesville—*I. Taylor.*
Hillsdale—*W. C. Comfort.*
Osceo—*A. W. Torrey.*
Mottville—*J. Clubine.*
White Pigeon—*W. W. Johnson.*
Sturgis—*B. F. Doughty.*
Burr Oak—*G. D. Lee.*
Reading—*N. Fassett.*
Cambria—*E. Wilkinson, A. Benson.*
Litchfield—*Henry Penfield.*
Allen—*C. T. Van Antwerp.*
North Adams—*T. J. Congdon.*

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.

F. B. BANGS, P. E.

Kalamazoo—*J. Jennings.*
Oshtemo—*A. A. Dunton.*
Schoolcraft—*Edward L. Kellogg.*
Paw Paw—*H. Morgan.*
Cooper—*Jas. Billing.*
Galesburg—*V. G. Boynton.*
West Climax—*R. D. McCarthy.*
Richland—*J. I. Buell.*
Prairieville—*Almond Gore.*
Otsego—*To be supplied.*
Allegan—*D. R. Latham.*
Wayland—*N. Cleveland.*
Waverly—*G. W. Tuthill.*
Ganges—*W. C. H. Bliss.*
Lawton—*T. T. George.*

E. H. Day, Agent, Muskegon Church, member of Galesburg Quarterly Conference.

NILES DISTRICT.

A. J. ELDRED, P. E.

Niles—*H. Law.*
Buchanan—*L. M. Edmonds.*
Dowagiac—*J. Odell.*
Cassapolis—*G. W. Hoag.*
Edwardsburg—*I. Bennett.*
Sumnerville—*J. S. Harder.*
Decatur—*To be supplied.*
Berrien—*L. M. Bennett.*
St. Joseph—*R. Pengelly.*
New Buffalo—*G. A. Van Horn.*
Lawrence—*Erastus L. Kellogg.*
Coloma—*H. Caldwell, one to be supplied.*

F. D. Hemenway, Professor in the Garrett Biblical Institute and member of Niles Quarterly Conference.

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.

M. B. CAMBURN, P. E.

Grand Rapids, East—*M. A. Daugherty.*
Grand Rapids, West—*J. T. Robe.*
Kelloggville—*A. Beach, A. C. Wheeler.*
Sparta—*M. I. Smith, H. C. Peck.*
Holland—*A. J. Van Wyck.*
Lamont—*H. H. Bement, J. L. Child.*
Flat River—*J. W. Cawthorn, D. S. Haviland.*
Sarinac—*Horace Hall, D. Engle.*
Ionia—*R. C. Crawford.*
Muskegon—*L. W. Earl.*
Muskegon Rapids—*To be supplied.*
Croton—*To be supplied.*
Newaygo—*J. N. Dayton.*
Laphamville—*W. McKnight, C. McCollister.*
Greenville—*W. F. Jenkins.*
Middleville—*A. Wakefield, one to be supplied.*
Hastings—*F. Glass.*
Woodland—*E. Marble.*

LANSING DISTRICT.

GEORGE BRADLEY, P. E.

Lansing—*D. D. Gillett, W. H. Brockway.*
Grand Ledge—*J. Braggins.*
Maple Rapids—*Thos. Clark.*
St. Johns—*J. Fowler, one to be supplied*
Matherton and Chrystal Lake—*J. A. Sprague, U. Mason, L. N. Garlick.*
Dewit—*W. Stafford, F. J. Freeman.*
Portland—*N. L. Otis, J. M. Pratt.*
Charlotte—*N. Mount.*
Vermontville—*M. Carpenter.*
Okemos—*C. Chick, Jr.*
Gratiot—*To be supplied.*
Onondaga—*G. W. Sherman.*
Eaton Rapids—*D. Thomas.*
Mason—*H. P. Barker.*
Isabella Indian Mission—*E. D. Young.*
Saginaw—*To be supplied.*

L. R. Fisk, Professor in the Agricultural College, member of Lansing Quarterly Conference.

GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.

S. STEELE, P. E.

Traverse City—*J. W. Robinson.*
Northport—*Edgar Beard.*
Elk Rapids—*J. W. Wilson.*
Frankfort—*To be supplied.*
Manistee—*N. M. Steele.*
Pentwater—*H. M. Joy.*
White River—*G. W. Chapin.*
Oceana Indian Mission—*L. J. Griffin.*
Pine River—*Peter Greensky.*

I. H. Messmore, Missionary to India.

P. O. Johnson and *Peter Marksman* transferred to the Detroit Conference.

QUESTION 16.—Where and when shall the next Conference be held?

At Battle Creek; time not fixed.

COURSE OF STUDY.

Committees of Examinations.

1. *For Candidates for Admission on Trial.*

English Grammar, Modern Geography, True's Logic, Newman's Rhetoric—Presiding Elder, Preacher in Charge.

2. *For Conference Membership and for Orders.*

FIRST YEAR.

Bible as to Doctrines, Watson's Institutes, first part, Wesley's Christian Perfection, Fletcher's Appeal, Clark's Mental Discipline, Essay or Sermon—D. D. Gillett, I. Taylor, D. Thomas.

SECOND YEAR.

Bible as to Sacraments, Watson's Institutes, second part, Fletcher's Christian Perfection, Strickland's Manual of Biblical Literature, Methodist Discipline, Mitchell's Ancient Geography, Essay or Sermon—J. W. Robinson, L. W. Earl, N. L. Brockway.

THIRD YEAR.

Bible History and Chronology, Watson's Institutes, third part, Butler's Analogy, Peck's Rule of Faith, Hibbard on Baptism, Ruter's Church History, Blair's Lectures on Rhetoric, Hedge's Logic, Essay or Sermon—D. Burns, B. F. Doughty, A. A. Dunton.

FOURTH YEAR.

Review of the whole course, Watson's Institutes, fourth part, Claude's Essay, Horne's Introduction, Stewart's Mental Philosophy, Essay or Sermon —H. Law, J. Jennings, A. Billings.

To Examine Local Preachers—M. A. Daugherty, E. H. Day, N. Mount.

To Examine Local Deacons—H. Morgan, E. D. Young, A. L. Crittenden.

Trustees, Visitors and Delegates.

Trustees of Albion Female College and Wesleyan Seminary—Enoch Holdstock, John C. Blanchard.

Trustee of North-Western University—Thos. H. Sinex.

Visitors to Albion Female College and Wesleyan Seminary—D. Burns, A. Billings, A. J. Eldred, H. Hall, H. Morgan, J. Boynton, Hon. John Owen, J. W. Hulin, Esq., A. J. Goodrich, Esq., Wm. Allman, Esq., H. A. Chapin, Esq., James Turner, Esq.

Visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute—A. J. Eldred, T. H. Jacokes, J. Jennings, R. Pengelly, J. Boynton.

Visitors to Lansing Female College—M. A. Daugherty, R. Sapp, D. Burns, W. C. Comfort, M. B. Camburn.

Delegate to Presbyterian Synod—Norman Abbott.

Delegate to Congregational Association—R. C. Crawford.

Delegate to Baptist Convention—J. Jennings.

Committee to procure Charter Amendment for Albion College—W. H. Brockway, Thos. H. Sinex.

Officers of the Conference Tract Society.

President—President of the Conference.

Vice Presidents—S. A. Osborn, N. Fassett, H. Hall.

Executive Committee—A. L. Crittenden, G. A. Van Horn, H. Caldwell, J. Braggins.

Recording Secretary—Erastus L. Kellogg.

Treasurer—I. Bennett.

Speaker for next Anniversary—W. C. Comfort.

Officers of the Conference Sunday School Society.

President—F. B. Bangs.

Vice President—T. H. Jacokes.

Treasurer—Thos. Lyon.

Secretary—L. M. Bennett.

Directors—N. Mount, J. W. Robinson, N. L. Brockway, A. A. Dunton, J. Odell.

Speakers for next Anniversary—M. A. Daugherty, R. C. Crawford.

Alternates—E. H. Day, I. Taylor.

Officers of the Conference Missionary Society.

President—H. Law. *Vice President*—J. Jennings.
Secretary—J. W. Robinson.

Names of Persons constituted Life Members during the past year

Of the Parent Society, by the Payment of $20.

Julia F. Robinson, Albion.
Martin Kernes.
Harriet Hotchins, White Pigeon.
Kate Billmeyer, White Pigeon.
Rev. G. D. Lee, California.
Mary Salsbury, Osceo.
Annie Johnson, Osceo.
Joseph Waburton, Reading.
Elizabeth H. Child, Flat River.
L. R. Atwater, Grand Rapids East.
D. R. Williams, Grand Rapids East.
Susan Boyer, Grand Rapids East.

Of the Conference Society, by the Payment of $10.

Francelia Baker.
Oscar D. Spalding.
Mary E. Case, Osceo.
Lowly I. Weeks, Centreville.
Ketura Knipple, Centreville.
Samuel A. Walston, Three Rivers.
Charles G. Carpenter, Three Rivers.
Nelson Crewling, Three Rivers.
Rachael Knibbs, Three Rivers.
Lewis Bodmer, Three Rivers.
Josephine Bitely, Paw Paw.
Julia A. Manly, Paw Paw.
Elisha J. House, Paw Paw.
Thomas Tweedie, Schoolcraft.
Lucina F. Briggs, Schoolcraft.
Wm. H. Lee, Schoolcraft.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Michigan Annual Conference Missionary Society,
In account with E. H. Day, *Treasurer.*

Cr. by am't received.

MARSHALL DISTRICT, $509.51.

Marshall, by T. H. Jacokes	$45 00
Albion, by I. Cogshall, $35 of which were raised by the Albion Female College Missionary Society	72 00
Parma, by A. Billings	32 00
Homer, by H. Morgan	33 75
Concord, by Wm. H. Brockway	20 00
Burlington, by J. I. Buel	30 30
Leroy, by S. A. Osborn ($25 from East Leroy S. S., $3 to be applied to Indian Missions)	130 00
Leonidas, by E. Marble	13 00
Galesburg, by I. C. Abbott	21 89
Richland, by D. Thomas	26 00
Prairieville	9 20
Bedford, by I. N. Tomes	9 25
Penfield	10 00
Hastings, by J. Boynton	10 00
Woodland	
Bellevue, by T. H. Bignall	27 05
Battle Creek, by J. Odell	15 07
Marengo	
Dover, by J. Hoyt	3 00
Springport, by S. Fassett	2 00

COLDWATER DISTRICT, $546.08.

Coldwater, by W. C. Comfort	$120 00
Gerard, by I. Taylor	29 80
Centreville, by E. D. Young	31 00
Three Rivers, by H. Penfield	50 00
Constantine, by B. F. Doughty	14 15
Mottville, by A. C. Hazzard	20 00
White Pigeon, by J. E. McAllister	60 00
Sturgis, by N. L. Brockway	47 03
Burr Oak, by E. C. Chambers	2 00
Reading, by N. Fassett	20 00
Quincy, by Wm. Doust	11 40

California, by Geo. D. Lee	20 00
Jonesville	1 25
Hillsdale, by L. W. Earl	6 00
District Camp Meeting	14 30
Osseo, by A. W. Torry	50 00
Cambria	
Litchfield, by M. B. Camburn	28 00
Union City, by J. Clubine	
Allen, by A. Coplin	21 15

KALAMAZOO DISTRICT, $607.06.

Kalamazoo, by J. Jennings	$102 00
Oshtemo, by G. W. Hoag	11 15
Schoolcraft, by J. T. Robe	63 88
Lawton, by J. S. Harder	8 77
Paw Paw, by J. W. Robinson	38 00
Decatur	
Dowagiac, by E. H. Day, of which $5 was paid to Rev. Clark	25 00
Cassapolis, by Edw. L. Kellogg	19 00
Sumnerville, by H. Caldwell	19 00
Edwardsburg, by I. Bennett	85 00
Niles, by R. C. Crawford, of which $3.00 is to be applied to our French Mission in Detroit	77 00
Buchanan, by W. W. Johnson	8 54
New Buffalo, by Geo. A. Van Horn	5 00
Berrien, by D. S. Haviland	27 40
St. Joseph, by Thos. Lyon	9 00
Coloma, by T. T. George	58 82
Lawrence, by Erastus L. Kellogg	10 08
Waverly, by George W. Tuthill	2 00
Otsego, by L. M. Bennett, $1.50 of which was paid as postage on Missionary Advocate	33 42
Cooper, by R. D. McCarthy, $3 of which was paid as postage on Missionary Advocate	4 00

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT, $207.77.

Grand Rapids, East, by M. A. Daugherty	$72 36
Grand Rapids, West, by R. Pengelly	17 01
Kelloggsville, by W. McKnight	8 00
Wayland, by N. Cleveland	4 00
Allegan, by A. A. Dunton	7 65
Ganges, by W. C. H. Bliss	3 10
Sparta, by M. I. Smith	5 00
Lamont, by H. H. Bement	4 56
Grand Haven, by H. Hall	
Muskegon, by D. D. Gillett	8 75
Muskegon Rapids	
Croton	

Newaygo, by T. B. Granger	1 25
White River, by G. W. Chapin	
Roseville	
Laphamville, by A. Wakefield	18 00
Greenville, by F. Glass	3 00
Flat River, by A. Beach	31 09
Boston, by J. M. Pratt	
Ionia, by R. Sapp	24 00
Middleville, by W. F. Jenkins	

LANSING DISTRICT, $228.53.

Lansing, by N. Abbott	$22 03
Grand Ledge, by Wm. M. Coplin	12 00
Matherton, by J. Braggins	20 00
Gratiot, by U. Mason	5 00
St. Johns, by J. W. Cawthorn	18 70
Maple Rapids, by T. Clark	2 75
Dewit, by A. L. Crittenden	10 39
Mason, by N. Mount	4 00
Okemos, by G. W. Sherman	3 00
Onandaga, by C. Chick, Jr.	14 00
Eaton Rapids, by V. G. Boynton	6 40
Charlotte, by L. M. Edmonds	19 20
Vermontville, by J. Fowler	30 00
Jackson, by F. B. Bangs	23 00
Moscow, by T. J. Hill	11 70
North Adams, by T. J. Congdon	9 13
Portland, by N. L. Otis	17 00
Chrystal Lake	
By Error	23

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

Marshall District	$509 51
Coldwater District	546 08
Kalamazoo District	607 06
Grand Rapids District	207 77
Lansing District	228 53
Cash collected on old note	10 00
Cash paid by A. Billings	1 00
Total	$2,109 95

Dr. CONTRA.

To Cash paid T. Carlton, as per receipt	$2,049 15
" " " Committee for Publication of Minutes	25 00
" " " Postage on Missionary Advocate	4 50
" Balance in hands of Treasurer	31 30
Total	$2,109 95

E. H. DAY, *Treasurer.*

STATISTICAL TABLES.

1. STEWARD'S REPORT.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLL.
		CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS	REC'S.	
MARSHALL DISTRICT.	E. Holdstock	$700 00	$548 00	.....	.....	.....
Marshall	T. H. Jacokes	600 00	600 00	P	.....	12 50
Albion	I. Coggshall	600 00	600 00	P	.....	13 00
Do	J. H. Pitezell	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parma	A. Billings	450 00	450 00	P	.....	15 00
Homer	H. Morgan	500 00	435 75	P	.....	5 81
Concord	Wm. H. Brockway	400 00	250 00	.....	.....	10 00
Burlington	J. I. Buel	400 00	400 00	50 00	50 00	8 00
Leroy	S. A. Osborn	415 00	415 00	P	.....	19 13
Leonidas	H. A. Patterson	360 00	360 00	50 00	50 00	6 00
Galesburgh	I. C. Abbott	400 00	400 00	75 00	75 00	15 00
Richland	D. Thomas	400 00	400 00	39 00	39 00	10 00
Prairieville	F. Gage	200 00	200 00	.....	.....	.....
Bedford	I. N. Tomes	340 00	74 20	P	.....	3 19
Penfield	J. A. Banfield	180 00	118 00	.....	.....	2 00
Hastings	J. Boynton	446 00	347 00	P	.....	4 00
Woodland	E. Marble	400 00	240 28	P	.....	.....
Bellevue	T. H. Bignal	436 00	277 63	52 00	37 75	5 01
Battle Creek	J. Odell	550 00	475 00	P	.....	.....
Marengo	Wm. Stafford	367 00	300 00	P	.....	.....
Dover	J. Hoyt	300 00	200 00	P	.....	.....
Springport	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Albion Fem. College	T. H. Sinex	700 00	700 00	150 00	150 00	.....
Do	C. C. Olds, A. M.	550 00	550 00	.....	.....	.....
		9347 00	8040 86	416 00	401 75	130 01
COLDWATER DISTRICT	D. Burns	$650 00	$650 00	.....	.....	.....
Coldwater	W. C. Comfort	500 00	500 00	P	.....	12 00
Girard	I. Taylor	400 00	400 00	P	.....	5 00
Centreville	E. D. Young	510 00	410 00	P	.....	21 66
Three Rivers	H. Penfield	525 00	525 00	P	.....	10 58
Constantine	B. F. Doughty	425 00	325 00	P	.....	8 52
Mottville	A. C. Hazzard	320 00	320 00	P	.....	8 00
White Pigeon	J. E. McAllister	400 00	250 00	P	.....	6 00
Sturgis	N. L. Brockway	346 00	346 00	P	.....	10 00
Burr Oak	E. C. Chambers	421 00	300 00	52 00	52 00	.....
Reading	N. Fassett	400 00	400 00	50 00	52 00	5 00
Quincy	W. Doust	476 00	376 00	56 50	56 50	3 50
California	Geo. D. Lee	360 00	300 00	35 00	35 00	3 00
Jonesville	E. Crane	200 00	200 00	.....	.....	3 70
Do	S. C. Woodard					

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLL.
		CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS	REC'TS.	
Hillsdale	L. W, Earl	$482 00	$482 00	.....	P	2 00
Osceo	A. W. Tony	375 00	300 00	.....	P	9 00
Cambria	I. Card	400 00	220 00	.....	.....	.....
Litchfield	M. B. Camburn	420 00	420 00	.....	P	9 25
Allen	A. Coplin	250 00	235 00	.....	.....	7 00
Union City	J. Clubine, Jr.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
		7860 00	6959 00	193 50	195 50	124 27
KALAMAZOO DIST.	A. J. Eldred	$800 00	$700 00	.....	.....	.....
Kalamazoo	J. Jennings	600 00	600 00	.....	P	30 00
Oshtemo	G. W. Hoag	435 00	409 13	.....	.....	9 25
Schoolcraft	J. T. Robe	500 00	500 00	73 00	73 00	14 18
Lawton	J. S. Harder	423 00	223 00	52 00	52 00	6 02
Paw Paw	J. W. Robinson	390 00	352 00	60 00	60 00	10 00
Decatur	J. Jones	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 60
Dowagiac	E. H. Day	600 00	500 00	60 00	60 00	10 82
Cassapolis	E. L. Kellogg	450 00	414 00	75 00	75 00	7 00
Sumnerville	H. Caldwell	500 00	450 00	.....	P	10 00
Edwardsburgh	I. Bennett	539 00	490 00	.....	P	25 00
Niles	R. C. Crawford	650 00	650 00	.....	P	20 00
Buchanan	W. W. Johnson	446 00	348 00	.....	P	.....
New Buffalo	Geo. A. Van Horn	400 00	300 00	.....	P	4 00
Berrien	D. S. Haviland	387 00	232 31	60 00	60 00	8 00
Do	D. Engle	175 00	87 13	.....	.....	.....
St. Joseph	Thos. Lyon	500 00	438 00	.....	.....	3 00
Coloma	T. T. George	325 00	260 38	.....	P	11 67
Do	H. M. Joy	320 00	231 82	10 00	10 00	.....
Lawrence	E. L. Kellogg	406 00	250 00	75 00	55 00	5 00
Waverly	Geo, W. Tuthill	305 00	160 00	.....	.....	3 25
Otsego	L. M. Bennett	366 00	248 00	52 00	52 00	10 00
Cooper	R. D. McCarthy	482 00	265 10	32 00	.....	7 79
Garrett Biblical Inst	F. D. Hemenway	1000 00	1000 00	.....	.....	.....
		11999 00	9108 87	549 00	497 00	197 58
GR. RAPIDS DIST.	J. K. Gillett	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gr. Rapids East	M. A. Daugherty	$750 00	$750 00	P	.....	6 00
Gr. Rapids West	R. Pengelly	500 00	500 00	.....	.....	12 61
Kelloggsville	W. McKnight	400 00	275 00	P	.....	6 00
Do	J. N. Dayton	110 00	78 58	.....	.....	.....
Wayland	N. Cleaveland	499 00	499 00	P	.....	4 00
Allegan	A. A. Dunton	479 00	280 00	P	.....	12 38
Ganges	W. C. H. Bliss	355 00	270 00	P	.....	7 56
Do	A. J. Van Wyck	340 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....
Sparta	M. I. Smith	460 00	460 00	P	.....	6 00
Do	H. H. Bement	187 00	187 00	.....	.....	.....
Lamont	E. Westake	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 18
Grand Haven	H. Hall	119 50	119 50	51 50	51 50	.....
Muskegon	D. D. Gillet	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Do	J. N. Dayton	66 30	66 30	.....	.....	.....
Muskegon Rapids	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Croton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newaygo	T. B. Granger	800 00	300 00	75 00	75 00	81
White River	G. W. Chapin	300 00	180 00	P	.....	4 00
Roseville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Laphamville	A. Wakefield	411 00	331 19	65 00	65 00	10 15

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLL.
		CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS	REC'S.	
Laphamville	A. C. Wheeler	$200 00	$137 42			
Greenville	F. Glass	406 00	270 00	P		
Flat River	A. Beach	390 00	271 00	P		20 50
Do	J. L. Childs	436 75	302 16	37 00	37 00	
Boston	J. M. Pratt	500 00	420 00	P		
Do	H. Hall	220 00	220 00	20 00	20 00	
Ionia	R. Sapp	600 00	600 00	P		
Middleville	W. F. Jenkins	400 00	286 39	P		
		8925 55	6853 54	248 50	248 50	94 19
LANSING DISTRICT	H. Law	$767 00	$519 00			
Lansing	N. Abbott	500 00	500 00	P		6 23
Grand Ledge	W. M. Coplin	371 00	268 00	P		5 40
Do	F. Freeman	200 00	140 00			
Matherton	J. Braggins	366 00	177 00	P		
Do	B. D. Searls	377 00	159 00	P		
Gratiot	U. Mason	250 00	232 68	10 00	10 00	1 50
St. Johns	J. W. Cawthorne	382 00	350 00	P		3 65
Do	A. Wood	193 00	193 00			
Maple Rapids	T. Clark	400 00	400 00	P		1 35
Dewitt	A. L. Crittenden	520 00	357 00	P		7 83
Do	C. B. Holbrook					
Mason	N. Mount	430 00	350 00	P		1 25
Okemos	G. W. Shernan	355 00	268 00	P		1 00
Do	A. Gore	16 78	16 78			
Onandaga	C. Chick	300 00	262 48	28 00	28 00	3 00
Eaton Rapids	V. G. Boynton	450 00	328 00	50 00	42 00	3 00
Do	M. Carpenter					
Charlotte	L. M. Edmonds	389 00	365 00	P		6 00
Vermontville	J. Fowler	340 00	340 00	30 00	30 00	10 00
Jackson	F. B. Bangs	600 00	600 00	P		3 50
Moscow	T. J. Hill	360 00	360 00	P		15 30
Do	G. D. Palmer	376 00	376 00	P		
North Adams	T. J. Congdon	416 00	416 00	25 00	25 00	2 64
Portland	N. L. Otis	450 00	450 00	P		1 00
Do	J. A. Sprague	400 00	400 00	30 00	30 00	
Chrystal Lake						
Agricultur'l College	L. R. Fisk	1000 00	1000 00			
House of Reform	J. Summerville					
		10208 78	8827 94	173 00	165 00	72 65
GRAND TRAVERSE D.						
Grand Traverse	S. Steele	$500 00	$380 00			
North Port	J. W. Klepper					
Elk Rapids	D. R. Latham					
Manistee	E. Beard	300 00	240 00	P		
Pentwater	N. M. Steele					
		$800 00	$620 00			
INDIAN MISSION DIS.						
Isabella	Geo. Bradley	$550 00	$550 00			10 00
Saginaw Bay						
Oceana	L. J. Griffin	350 00	350 00			
Pine River						
		$900 00	$900 00			10 00

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLL.
	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	
Marshall	$9,347 00	$8,040 86	$416 00	$401 75	$130 01
Coldwater	7,860 00	6,959 00	193 50	193 50	124 27
Kalamazoo	11,999 00	9,108 87	549 00	497 00	197 58
Grand Rapids	8,925 55	6,783 54	248 50	248 50	94 19
Lansing	10,208 78	8,827 94	173 00	165 00	72 65
Grand Traverse	800 00	620 00	----------	----------	----------
Indian Mission	900 00	900 00	----------	----------	10 00
	$50,040 33	$41,240 21	$1,580 00	$1,505 75	$628 70
Conference Collection	----------	----------	----------	----------	48 64
Parkhurst Fund	----------	----------	----------	----------	15 00
					$689 74

STATISTICAL TABLE No. 2.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPT.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conf'nce Claimants.	For Mission'y Society.	For Tract Soc	For Bible Soc	For Sunday School Union	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.
MARSHALL DISTRICT.																			
Marshall,	183	1	13	.....	3	6	1	$10000	1	$ 1000	$12 50	$ 45 00	$	$ 25 00	$	3	42	342	650
Albion,	164	4	4	3	2	.....	1	5000	1	1500	13 00	72 00	.....	19 23	.....	1	18	108	350
Parma,	196	1	16	4	1	2	3	3500	1	400	15 00	32 00	.....	.....	.....	3	22	117	315
Homer,	166	1	13	2	6	.....	2	3000	1	600	5 81	33 75	.....	.....	3 71	2	22	88	330
Concord,	133	.....	22	1	.....	.....	2	2000	.....	.....	10 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	3	19	90	380
Burlington,	157	1	11	.....	.....	1	2	1600	.....	.....	8 00	30 30	.....	3 00	2 00	1	6	35	100
Leroy,	205	1	13	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	800	14 30	130 00	.....	.....	.....	3	34	80	300
Leonidas,	172	2	12	4	.....	.....	1	1200	.....	.....	6 00	13 00	.....	.....	.....	1	12	62	150
Galesburg,	190	.....	14	3	.....	.....	2	3000	1	900	15 00	21 89	.....	.....	1 50	2	40	200	500
Richland,	147	.....	31	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	26 00	.....	.....	.....	6	30	156	520
Prairieville,	75	1	10	1	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 20	.....	.....	.....	3	24	60	360
Bedford,	107	.....	16	2	2	1	.....	.....	1	300	3 19	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2	20	80	275
Penfield,	128	1	30	2	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	9 25	.....	.....	.....	4	18	80	210
Hastings,	130	3	21	1	20	1	1	3000	1	1000	4 00	10 00	.....	.....	1 00	2	20	125	120
Woodland,	116	.....	8	2	2	.....	.....	.....	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	23	89	150
Bellevue,	134	2	30	3	6	.....	1	2000	.....	.....	5 01	27 05	.....	.....	.....	3	35	80	200
Battle Creek,	182	2	7	3	6	1	1	15000	1	1400	.....	15 79	.....	.....	.....	1	12	175	150
Marengo,	78	3	6	1	2	2	.....	.....	1	1200	1 18	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	14	120	300
Dover,	60	.....	.....	.....	3	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	2	10	50	150
Springport,	53	.....	10	1	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	2	8	45	70
Total,	2776	23	287	36	67	23	17	49300	11	9400	127 99	510 23	.....	47 23	8 21	48	429	2182	5580
COLDWATER DISTRICT.																			
Coldwater,	108	1	51	1	27	8	1	1500	1	1000	12 00	120 00	1 00	16 00	5 77	4	47	315	775
Gerard,	105	.....	6	.....	2	.....	1	1600	1	200	5 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	3	30	187	475
Centreville,	154	3	57	3	8	2	2	4000	1	600	21 66	31 00	.....	15 50	.....	3	40	215	490
Three Rivers,	236	7	13	3	7	5	2	2000	1	1000	10 61	50 00	.....	.....	2 75	3	53	205	971
Constantine,	120	2	7	2	3	1	1	1500	1	600	8 52	14 50	.....	.....	.....	3	15	120	500
Mottville,	160	.....	4	1	6	.....	3	3000	1	600	8 00	20 00	.....	.....	1 00	7	46	290	900
White Pigeon,	48	.....	2	.....	1	4	1	2500	1	1000	6 00	60 02	1 00	1 00	1 00	2	25	165	350
Sturgis,	105	1	10	1	5	.....	1	800	1	600	10 00	47 03	.....	22 22	2 38	1	23	75	120
Burr Oak,	118	2	12	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 83	.....	.....	.....	2	18	133	270
Reading,	98	.....	26	1	21	.....	1	1700	.....	.....	5 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	3	27	125	200
Quincy,	177	4	14	4	19	1	1	1200	.....	.....	3 46	11 40	.....	.....	.....	2	18	88	260
California,	140	2	4	2	6	2	.....	.....	1	300	3 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	4	25	500	400

Jonesville,	144	2	22	1	.....	.....	2	2500	.....	.....	3 76	1 25	.....	.....	.....	2	25	125	450
Hillsdale,	67	.....	7	.....	.....	1	1	1000	1	700	2 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	1	11	150	150
Osceo,	200	3	10	3	5	3	2	1800	1	150	9 00	50 00	.....	.....	5 00	5	50	203	730
Cambria,	247	.....	89	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	37	108	308
Litchfield,	168	1	49	.....	33	3	1	600	1	500	9 25	28 00	.....	.....	.....	4	35	135	300
Allen,	135	1	24	2	9	1	1	700	.....	.....	7 00	21 13	.....	.....	.....	2	18	68	200
Union City,	160	3	50	5	24	.....	1	1000	1	200	1 00	40 00	.....	.....	.....	3	14	125	300
Total,	2742	32	457	34	179	31	22	27400	13	7450	125 26	571 81	2 00	54 72	17 90	58	547	3332	8149
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.																			
Kalamazoo,	207	3	18	2	5	1	1	4000	1	1500	30 00	102 00	18 85	50 00	20 62	1	20	190	425
Oshtemo,	126	2	62	3	20	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 25	10 15	.....	13 03	.....	2	25	152	305
Schoolcraft,	148	1	22	1	2	3	2	3500	.....	.....	14 18	63 88	2 00	2 00	.....	5	50	225	712
Lawton,	83	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 02	8 77	.....	5 00	.....	2	16	52	150
Paw Paw,	95	1	5	3	2	1	1	1500	.....	.....	10 00	38 00	.....	15 00	1 40	3	36	200	475
Decatur,	65	.....	8	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	16	109	200
Dowagiac,	121	.....	8	1	10	7	2	6000	.....	.....	10 32	25 00	.....	10 00	.....	2	26	152	376
Cassapolis,	150	2	8	2	11	4	2	1500	.....	.....	7 00	19 10	.....	18 16	.....	2	20	140	400
Sumnerville,	187	3	19	2	5	3	2	1500	1	500	10 00	19 00	.....	.....	.....	5	40	186	462
Edwardsburgh,	172	3	8	1	2	.....	3	3500	1	700	25 00	85 00	.....	20 00	5 70	2	22	129	466
Niles,	185	5	18	1	24	6	1	1000	1	1500	20 00	77 00	.....	26 36	.....	1	24	150	300
Buchanan,	119	3	23	1	1	.....	1	4000	1	500	.....	8 54	.....	.....	.....	3	28	130	300
New Buffalo,	45	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	300	4 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	3	21	65	200
Berrien,	175	.....	25	3	11	2	1	800	1	400	8 00	27 40	.....	.....	.....	7	52	255	550
St. Joseph,	61	.....	3	1	.....	.....	1	2400	1	400	3 00	9 00	.....	.....	.....	1	16	80	250
Coloma,	213	4	44	4	9	4	1	2000	1	600	11 67	58 71	.....	.....	.....	5	36	172	534
Lawrence,	125	1	7	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	1	700	5 00	10 08	2 00	.....	.....	3	18	50	75
Waverly,	92	2	38	1	28	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 24	1 76	.....	.....	.....	4	35	100	348
Otsego,	94	1	22	.....	8	.....	1	1500	.....	.....	10 00	32 42	5 60	3 76	5 75	4	37	192	567
Cooper,	60	2	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 79	3 00	.....	.....	.....	2	10	40	162
Total,	2523	33	351	29	150	37	19	33200	10	6700	194 97	604 81	28 45	183 21	33 49	58	522	2969	7157
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.																			
Grand Rapids East,	228	3	17	3	25	3	1	2500	1	2500	6 00	73 00	.....	21 75	4 50	3	30	225	600
Grand Rapids West,	158	3	19	3	28	13	1	900	.....	.....	12 61	17 00	1 00	.....	3 50	3	30	200	425
Kellogsville,	184	.....	67	4	19	2	.....	.....	1	800	6 00	8 00	.....	.....	2 00	8	71	270	1050
Wayland,	100	.....	13	.....	14	7	.....	.....	1	400	4 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	5	34	150	477
Allegan,	107	1	16	1	.....	.....	1	2000	1	800	12 38	7 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ganges,	150	4	16	.....	27	4	.....	.....	2	600	7 57	3 10	.....	.....	.....	5	20	150	350
Sparta,	141	.....	70	.....	33	3	.....	.....	1	400	6 00	5 00	.....	.....	7 00	12	70	360	800
Lamont,	81	1	6	.....	2	.....	1	1200	1	500	4 20	4 53	.....	.....	.....	1	9	50	140
Grand Haven,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Muskegon,	17	.....	5	.....	1	1	1	12000	.....	.....	.....	8 75	.....	.....	5 05	1	12	75	220
Muskegon Rapids,	7	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Croton,	6	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Newaygo	9	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	3000	.....	.....	81	1 25	.....	.....	.....	1	7	30	150
White River,	42	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	200	4 00	.....	.....	.....	1 10	4	20	80	300
Roseville,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Laphanville,	166	.....	66	2	12	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 15	18 00	.....	.....	.....	11	88	270	702
Greenville,	102	2	19	2	5	2	1	2000	1	500	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	3	20	80	120

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPT.		CHURCH PROPERTY				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conf'nce Claimants.	For Mission'y Society.	For Tract Soc	For Bible Soc	For Sunday School Union	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.
Flat River,	265	5	55	2	.....	.....	1	800	1	400	20 50	31 00	.....	.....	.....	5	61	310	580
Boston,	275	2	15	4	20	25	.....	.....	1	700	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	30	75	300
Ionia,	200	1	35	1	10	5	2	1800	1	1000	48 54	26 00	.....	55 00	.....	2	25	212	300
Middleville,	97	.....	10	2	3	.....	1	2000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	170
Total,	2338	22	532	24	199	66	11	28200	13	6800	94 22	210 28	1 00	76 75	23 15	68	527	2762	6684
LANSING DISTRICT.																			
Lansing,	190	2	6	1	3	4	2	8600	1	1000	6 23	22 58	.....	.....	2 69	2	22	236	1200
Grand Ledge,	251	6	32	6	8	.....	.....	.....	1	200	5 40	12 00	50	.....	1 30	6	54	120	600
Matherton,	230	3	50	7	12	7	.....	.....	2	800	.....	20 00	.....	.....	6 00	6	88	219	833
Gratiot,	122	2	41	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	7	30	120	385
Maple Rapids,	123	1	29	1	12	.....	.....	.....	1	500	1 35	2 75	.....	.....	1 08	6	60	260	600
Dewitt,	269	7	33	5	7	2	.....	.....	1	500	7 83	10 39	.....	.....	.....	5	40	160	230
Mason,	132	2	24	1	2	.....	1	1500	1	200	1 25	4 00	.....	.....	.....	2	20	70	250
Okemos,	103	2	50	2	14	2	.....	.....	1	400	1 00	3 00	.....	.....	2 00	3	15	80	300
Onondaga,	102	2	18	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	14 00	.....	.....	3 00	2	16	55	156
Eaton Rapids,	136	1	18	2	1	.....	1	3000	.....	.....	3 00	6 40	.....	7 79	.....	1	13	73	150
Charlotte,	139	1	8	1	2	2	1	3000	1	900	6 00	19 20	.....	7 50	10 00	3	34	164	600
Vermontville,	159	2	15	1	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	30 00	.....	3 00	6 57	3	29	60	200
Jackson,	121	1	9	1	1	.....	1	6000	1	3000	3 50	23 00	.....	50 00	3 50	1	18	100	200
Moscow,	207	4	56	5	8	1	1	2000	2	1000	15 30	11 20	.....	.....	4 81	4	75	320	1080
North Adams,	137	.....	8	1	5	.....	2	1300	1	500	2 64	9 13	.....	.....	.....	2	12	60	200
Portland,	200	4	22	5	8	.....	1	400	1	1000	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	5	40	175	600
Chrystal Lake,	38	.....	20	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	16	45	100
St. Johns,	192	6	25	2	1	.....	2	2100	1	300	3 65	18 00	.....	.....	2 50	7	45	300	250
Total,	2851	46	469	46	104	20	12	27900	15	10300	71 65	225 75	50	68 29	48 51	67	627	2617	6934
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.																			
Grand Traverse and Traverse City,	12	.....	3	.....	....	2	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	10	40	400
Northport,	26	2	1	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	16	78	186
Elk Rapids,	15	.....	6	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	6	42	167
Manistee,	2	.....	20	1	20	....	....	.....	1	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	12	40	300
Pentwater,	19	.....	35	....	4	2	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total,	74	2	65	1	24	4	....	.....	1	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	44	200	1053

INDIAN MISSION DISTRICT.																				
Isabella,	250	....	....	5	10	30	1	1500	1	100	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Saginaw Bay,	78	....	....	1	4	15	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Oceana,	166	2	25	2	25	35	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Pine River,	30	1	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Total,	524	3	25	8	39	80	1	1500	1	100	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

	NUMBERS.				BAPT.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conf'nce Claimants.	For Missionry Society.	For Tract Soc	For Bible Soc.	For Sunday School Union	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.
Marshall,	2776	23	287	36	67	23	17	49300	11	9400	127 99	510 23	.....	47 23	8 21	48	429	2182	5580
Coldwater,	2742	32	457	34	179	31	22	27400	13	7450	125 26	571 81	2 00	54 72	17 90	58	547	3332	8149
Kalamazoo,	2523	33	351	29	150	37	19	33200	10	6700	194 97	604 81	28 45	183 21	33 49	58	522	2969	7157
Grand Rapids,	2338	22	532	24	199	66	11	28200	13	6800	94 22	210 23	1 00	76 75	23 15	68	527	2762	6684
Lansing,	2851	46	469	46	104	20	12	27900	15	10300	71 65	225 75	50	68 29	48 51	67	627	2617	6934
Grand Traverse,	74	2	65	1	24	4	....	.....	1	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	44	200	1053
Indian Mission,	524	3	25	8	39	80	1	1500	1	100	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Grand Total,	13828	161	2186	178	762	261	82	167500	64	41150	624 09	2122 88	31 95	430 20	131 26	308	2696	14062	35557
Last year,	13598	159	2146	157	849	260	75	134950	60	33780	475 11	1760 38	23 95	389 48	95 68	292	2527	11021	30672
Increase,	230	2	40	21	....	1	7	32550	4	7370	148 98	362 00	8 00	40 72	35 58	16	169	3041	4885
Decrease,	.....	....	....	....	87	....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....

DISTRIBUTION of the amount deemed necessary for the Support of Superannuated Preachers and the Widows and Orphans of such as have died in the Work, to the several Districts.

Marshall District	$175 00
Coldwater District	175 00
Kalamazoo District	170 00
Niles District	170 00
Grand Rapids District	125 00
Lansing District	110 00
Grand Traverse District	34 00
Total	$959 00

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Report of the Committee on Missions.

Appropriated to Indian Missions.

ISABELLA MISSION.	
Salary of Missionary	$450 00
Moving Expenses	150 00
Assistant's Salary	200 00
SAGINAW BAY MISSION.	
Salary of Missionary	250 00
To Presiding Elder of District	100 00
OCEANA MISSION.	
Salary of Missionary	400 00
Salary of Assistant	200 00
PINE RIVER MISSION.	
Salary of Missionary	100 00
To Presiding Elder of District	150 00
Total to Indian Missions	$2000 00

Appropriated to Domestic Missions.

COLDWATER DISTRICT.	
Jonesville	$75 00
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.	
West Climax	50 00
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT	65 00
Muskegon	100 00
Holland	50 00
LANSING DISTRICT	25 00
Chrystal Lake	50 00
St. Johns	80 00
Gratiot	160 00
Onondaga	40 00
Okemos	40 00
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.	325 00
Traverse City	150 00
Northport	75 00
Elk Rapids	50 00
Frankfort	50 00
Manistee	50 00
Pentwater	40 00
Roseville	25 00
Total to Domestic Missions	$1500 00

Report of the Committee on Education.

The Committee on Education respectfully report: That the cause of Education is making commendable and cheering progress in our country generally, and especially in the Peninsular State. The enlightened and beneficent policy of the General Government, in appropriating the proceeds of a portion of the public lands to the cause of general Education, is now producing its legitimate results; and half a million of dollars is annually expended in Teachers' wages in our Primary Schools.

The State University, Agricultural College, Normal School, and Asylums for the Deaf and Blind, are severally in a prosperous condition, and are among the brightest ornaments of this Commonwealth.

The Colleges and Seminaries of the various evangelical churches in our State, are generally prosperous; and they are aiding to disseminate the blessings of christian Education.

Our own honored and cherished institutions at Albion, the Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, are still blessing the Church and the world by doing a large educational business with small means. We approve most heartily of the proposition of the Board of Trustees to elevate our Seminary for males to a College, with full corporate powers; and also to secure an adequate endowment for both of these institutions. We most cordially and earnestly commend both of these enterprises to all our members and friends, and especially to our intelligent and wealthy friends, to erect for themselves an enduring monument, by placing these institutions on a permanent financial basis. We are happy to record our undiminished confidence in the Corporation and Faculty of these institutions, and we cordially and earnestly commend them to all who desire for themselves or others the opportunities for thorough and liberal culture.

The North-Western University, at Evanston, Ill., is also in a prosperous condition, and eminently worthy of the patronage of our people until we have a similar institution of our own.

The Garrett Biblical Institute is coming to be appreciated by

our Church in the north-west; and an increasing number of licentiates are receiving within its walls that theological and biblical training which is calculated to qualify them for the largest usefulness, whether in our home work or in the Mission field. And as the Visitors appointed by this Conference last year failed to make a report to the Conference for want of time, we now take pleasure in saying that the location, faculty, course of instruction, and the spirit pervading the institution, seemed to us to be all that could be desired; and while many of our Primary Schools are being elevated to the rank of Academies, and our Free Schools are bringing the blessings of Education within the reach of all—facts in which we greatly rejoice—yet, in view of these facts, it is indispensable that the standard of ministerial qualifications be correspondingly elevated and extended to make us suitable religious instructors of an intelligent and cultivated people.

The times are greatly changed, and the literary advantages enjoyed by our fathers in the ministry are *not sufficient* for the present generation. We therefore earnestly recommend to all our young men who contemplate the ministry, if it be at all practicable, to secure for themselves those important advantages which this institution affords, before entering upon the high, difficult, and responsible duties of the pastoral office.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. C. COMFORT.

Report of the Committee on the Conference Seminary.

Your Committee to whom was referred the papers relating to the Albion Female College and Wesleyan Seminary, report that they have considered the subjects therein presented, and recommend the following resolutions for adoption, viz.:

Resolved, 1st. That we are highly gratified with the present prosperous condition of the Institution, and renew our oft-repeated pledges for its support and patronage.

Resolved, 2d. That we cordially approve the proposition to enlarge the endowment fund and increase the course of study, and recommend that the full powers of a College for gentlemen and ladies be procured by an amendment of the charter.

Resolved, 3d. That we will give our hearty co-operation to the Trustees and

their agents to enlarge the endowment fund to such an extent as will be amply sufficient to sustain a competent Faculty and provide for instruction in all departments of the Institution.

Your Committee further recommend that T. H. Sinex and W. H. Brockway be appointed a Committee to secure an amendment to the charter, of our next Legislature.

They also nominate John C. Blanchard and Enoch Holdstock for election as Trustees.

Also, that we respectfully request the Bishop to appoint T. H. Sinex, President, and C. C. Olds, Professor in the Albion Female College and Wesleyan Seminary.

F. B. BANGS,
A. BILLINGS,
N. FASSETT,
T. CLARK,
E. L. KELLOGG,
G. W. CHAPIN.

Report of the Trustees of the Wesleyan Seminary and Female College for the Collegiate Year 1859-60.

To the Bishop and Members of the Michigan Annual Conference of the M. E. Church:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—The past year has been one of usual prosperity. Three hundred and forty-one students have been in attendance during the year,—of these, one hundred and ninety-six were ladies, and one hundred and forty-five were gentlemen. Thirteen ladies completed the course of study, and received the degree of "Mistress of Science and the Arts." The Faculty was re-elected without change.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

COLLECTIONS.

Notes, Principal and interest	$3,547 91
Interest on Notes and Mortgages	396 56
Instrumental Music	325 00
Painting and Drawing	144 28
Rent of Scholarships	156 50
Incidental Fees	476 90

Rents of Buildings and Rooms	335 75	
Catalogues and Diplomas	45 00	
Total,		$5,427 90

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries of Teachers and Agents	$3,750 00	
Traveling Expenses of Agents and Trustees	217 06	
Legal Services and Court Fees	78 60	
Insurance	129 00	
Postage, Stationery and Express Charges	19 63	
Repairs and Permanent Improvements	504 01	
Fuel and lights	154 46	
Janitor Work	196 80	
Printing Catalogue	55 00	
Diplomas	18 00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	103 36	
Total,		$5,225 92
Balance,		$201 98

The Trustees have had under consideration the propriety of extending the course of Study, increasing the Endowment and securing the enlargement of Charter privileges, so as to graduate gentlemen as well as ladies; and from the following, among other considerations, they have given the proposition their unanimous approval:

The Institution is eligibly and centrally located. Its buildings are ample, substantial and well arranged. It has a respectable Library, Apparatus, Laboratory and Cabinet. Its assets in buildings, grounds, fixtures, &c., may be safely estimated at $40,000. It has an Endowment in reliable mortgages and notes, of about $15,000. It has no liabilities except scholarship demands for Tuition in the solid branches of instruction.

Should the proposition be carried out, the Institution would rise above the competition of Union Schools, which are rapidly multiplying throughout the State, and in many of which are afforded preparatory scientific and classical instruction. It would place our Church on an equal footing with other denominations who have chartered colleges under their control and patronage. It would enable us to graduate our sons as well as daughters, without the necessity of placing them under the influence of those who do not sympathize with us in our doctrines or usages. It would afford equal educational advan-

tages to ladies and gentlemen, and which they, of right, ought to enjoy.

The past history of the Institution, in our estimation, reflects credit upon those who have had charge of its interests. During the seventeen years of its existence as a Seminary and the ten years of its existence as a Female College, the average annual attendance of students has been about *three hundred and fifty;* the number of young ladies who have graduated is *eighty-nine.* It is estimated that at least *five thousand* different persons have received their education, in whole or in part, in the Institution, and have gone forth to represent it in the different professions and other occupations, and who generally maintain honorable positions in society, while many have become eminent in learning, talents and piety. The most rigid economy has been observed in its expenditures; the amount of salaries paid to teachers in solid branches, having been less than $2,500 per annum. But few schools in the country, if any, can show more abundant results from so small an expenditure of means.

The endowment plan, inaugurated during the presidency of the late Dr. Hinman, has not been as successful as was anticipated; nor has it resulted as unfortunately as many other schemes, originating with men of established reputation for financial ability. We have quoted the amount of *reliable* notes and mortgages on hand at $15,000; and though this amount would seem small in comparison with that originally subscribed, it is satisfactorily accounted for by the following facts: We have been compelled to lay aside, as entirely worthless, $40,000 of endowment notes; we were also compelled to make large discounts in compromising paper, on account of deaths, insolvencies, change of fortune, &c.; a considerable amount has been expended in the "erection of buildings," as provided in the original articles of agreement; a large per cent. has also been required to pay agents' salaries, traveling expenses, and other costs of collecting.

In view of the foregoing facts, it becomes apparent that the necessity is already upon us to enlarge the Endowment, in order to sustain the Institution even in its present form. But a complete College Course could be taught at a comparatively small expense additional to what is requisite to teach the partial course as now constituted; and the proposition to endow a College with full powers, presents

a motive to the friends of education, not found in a proposition to sustain the Institution, merely, as it now is. It is thought, therefore, that a liberal Endowment for a complete College can be realized with less effort than would be required to supply the deficiency in the amount of funds necessary to carry on the Institution in its present form.

The Trustees, though approving the proposition, deferred any positive action until an expression on the subject should be had from the friends of the Institution and from the patronizing Conferences. The proposition has been approved by a meeting of Laymen and Ministers, held at Detroit, April 27th, and also at a similar convention held at Albion on the 12th day of June.

The proposition is respectfully submitted for your deliberation and action.

Four vacancies occur in the Board of Trustees by the expiration of time, two of which are to be filled by your Conference.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

In behalf of the Board of Trustees.

THOS. H. SINEX,
WM. FARLEY,
Committee.

Albion, Mich., Sept. 20th, 1860.

Report of Committee of Ministers' and Laymen's Convention.

To the Bishop and Members of the Michigan Annual Conference of the M. E. Church.

At a meeting of Ministers and Laymen held at Albion, June 12th, 1860, for the purpose of considering the financial condition and prospects of the Albion Female College, &c., and to devise ways and means for its financial relief, and to perpetuate and extend its usefulness, the undersigned were appointed a Committee to prepare and present to you for consideration a plan of operations. In accordance with our appointment, we present to you the following:

Before attempting to mark out for the future, it will be well to glance briefly at the history of the past. In 1833 a few friends determined on the establishment of a Seminary of Learning of a high grade, under the patronage and fostering care of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the Territory (State) of Michigan. Various proposals were forwarded to the Annual Conference, in 1834, for its location, which were favorably entertained, a committee appointed to take charge of the matter, and a charter was obtained in 1835. It is not necessary to recount the difficulties encountered in this early history. In 1839, by an amendment of the charter, the location was changed to Albion, and in 1841 the corner stone of the main building was laid, and the school opened in the autumn of 1843. It was a proud day for the educational interests of Michigan, when the first exhibition of the Wesleyan Seminary at Albion occurred, in the spring of 1844. That there was a demand for such an institution, was clearly demonstrated by the multitude that at once thronged its halls. In 1849, it was thought advisable to take a higher position, and by application to the Legislature, the charter was amended so as to engraft a Female College on to it, having a pretty extensive scientific course. In this department a noble work has been done in the last ten years. *Eighty-nine* young ladies have been graduated with the degree of Mistress of Science and the Arts.

During the seventeen years of the existence of the Institution there has been an annual average attendance of about *three hundred and fifty* students, male and female. It is estimated that about *six thousand* different individuals have been students in this Institution. These have gone abroad most of them to act a noble part in the affairs of this world.

The average total of salaries paid for Teachers to instruct these thousands, has not exceeded annually the sum of $2,500. Let it be further borne in mind that this is all the result of private enterprise. The Institution now owns, free from debt, a property in buildings and lands worth at least $40,000, and has, toward an Endowment fund, about $15,000 more; but the income of this is not sufficient to sustain the Institution. Nothing can be looked for by way of tuition, for two reasons: Scholarships of free tuition, on the payment of a certain sum, have been issued in sufficient numbers to supply all the

pupils that would find it practicable to attend, and the system of Union, or Graded Schools in all our large towns, so far supply the demand for a high education, that comparatively few would feel the importance of sending to this Institution, to such a degree as to induce them to patronize it if they had to pay tuition.

This state of facts drives us to the necessity of devising some means for increasing the Endowment fund so as to make the Institution free to all. Shall this Institution, which has done so much for the educational interests of the Peninsular State, now be permitted to die, or even to drag along a feeble and sickly existence? We think we hear ten thousand voices respond emphatically, NO, never! And with this voice, they instinctively lay their hands on their purses and begin to open them.

But to succeed in this work we must have some definite object and plan. At the forenamed convention, after deliberate consideration, it was unanimously resolved to elevate the Institution to the rank of a College of the first class, for males and females—to extend the course of instruction so as to take in the *curriculum* of the best colleges of our country. It does not belong to us to give you the various reasons which lead to this decision. The convention, also, voted unanimously to raise an endowment of *one hundred thousand* dollars.

It is believed there is wealth enough in this State to furnish that amount to be invested, and the interest only to be applied to sustain the Institution. In order to raise this Endowment, we suggest to you the appointment of an agent in each of the Conferences in this State, who shall devote themselves definitely to this work; and that they make their appeals directly to the men of wealth for donations, and not to offer any thing in the way of remuneration except the good that is to be accomplished by it. The more minute details of the plan may be arranged by the Board of Trustees. It is not intended by this suggestion to prevent the acceptance of small donations, but simply that our effort is to be directed specially to those who have the pecuniary ability, and who, we think, upon a proper representation of the cause, would be willing to invest a part of their wealth in such an enterprise as this.

We now leave this matter with you, believing that you will give

to it such attention and consideration as the importance of the enterprise demands.

ELIJAH H. PILCHER,
W. M. McCONNELL,
JOHN OWEN,
J. W. HULIN,
S. W. WALKER,
GEO. SMITH.

Report of the Committee on Temperance.

Your Committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following resolutions, to wit:

Resolved, That while we rejoice at the onward march of the cause of Temperance, we are as much as ever convinced of the necessity of increased efforts for the promotion of this glorious enterprise.

Resolved, That this Conference most fully and cordially approve of the plans and operations of the Michigan State Temperance Alliance, as it promises to give efficiency and permanency to this important field of benevolent effort.

Resolved, That we with pleasure commend J. B. Mervin, Esq., the General Agent of our State Temperance Alliance, to the confidence and esteem of our people, as an able and efficient advocate of the cause, and that we will cordially welcome him to our pulpits, and render him all the assistance in our power.

E. CRANE,
J. BOYNTON,
T. B. GRANGER.

Report of the Committee on the Bible Cause.

We regard the circulation of the word of God among all the people to be indispensably necessary for the full triumph of the Gospel of the Son of God. We recommend for your adoption the following resolutions:

1. That we have undiminished confidence in the American Bible Society as an agency in the accomplishment of this work.

2. That we cordially welcome the Agent to our pulpits, and commend the cause to our people.

3. If the Agent does not visit our charges, we will lift collections for the benefit of the Society.

4. That the success of the Bible cause in the bounds of this Conference is cause of thanksgiving to God.

H. PENFIELD,
S. A. OSBORN,
J. S. HARDER.

Report of the Committee on the Tract Cause.

The Committee on the Tract cause respectfully submit the following report:

The Methodists in these United States have become a great people, and God has manifestly "destined" us to a high and holy mission. In less than a century we have grown up, from a very small beginning, to over a million and a half of members; and over five million of people now depend on us for much of their intellectual and *most of their moral training.* The power of our pulpit has changed the popular theology from Calvanistic to Evangelical Armenian. The universality of Christ's propitiation, and consequently the *salvability* of *every human* being, while in a state of probation, are great truths, which, though scarcely admitted by *any* eighty years since, are now *denied by but few!* And this great and glorious change has been accomplished by preaching and writing the peculiarities of Methodism. But the comprehensiveness of these truths, and the wants of the perishing, make it our duty to communicate this saving knowledge *to all men.* In doing this, after the living teacher, the most powerful instrumentality is the religious press; and that ministry does not use all the means of success which does not freely circulate the printed page. So thought Mr. Wesley, and his early sons in the Gospel. But many of our ministers do not now sell books as heretofore; and one of the greatest church wants is some great ecclesiastical statesman who shall devise some practical method for the adequate circulation of our literature. The mighty agency of the press is eagerly seized upon by infidelity and religious errorists of almost every kind; and the salt of evangelical reading is indispensable to prevent the general corruption of society. And while undiluted Calvanism is seldom presented, and would scarcely be tolerated from the pulpits, yet Calvanistic publications are diligently and extensively

circulated, both in the standard and cheap form. But as liberal christianity has once triumphed over these hoary but revolting errors, in the arena of the voice, so it is destined to conquer in the arena of the pen, and by the scourge of a free and full Gospel, to drive them back to Geneva, whence they came. Nevertheless, religious knowledge is a *right* as well as a *want* of the human soul; and our people are not to blame for buying or reading Calvanistic publications, when our own are not in the general market, nor by the colporteur offered them for sale; therefore,

Resolved, That until after means are provided, as ministers of Christ, we will do what we can, consistently with our other obligations, to circulate our excellent publications.

Resolved, That we will, wherever practicable, preach at least once each year on the subject of Religious Reading, and take a collection for the Tract Society of the M. E. Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. C. COMFORT,
NATHAN MOUNT,
J. I. BUELL.

Report of the Committee on Sunday Schools.

Your Committee to whom was referred the subject of Sunday Schools, would respectfully report that they have used all diligence in collecting statistics, but have failed to obtain reports from twelve charges in the Conference, leaving eight less than were reported last year.

Notwithstanding the deficiency in reports by comparison with the Conference statistics of last year, we find a general increase, and more especially in the collections for the M. E. Sunday School Union, which has an increase of twenty per cent.; and we believe that if the matter is presented to our people, and collections raised at every appointment in accordance with the requisitions of discipline, in one year the amount would be increased two hundred per cent., as but twenty-nine charges out of one hundred and three have raised any thing for that purpose.

The Sunday School is the nursery of the Church—a tributary

through whose channel the church is to receive much of its wealth and strength; therefore,

Resolved, That we will endeavor to sustain and promote its interests by our influence and personal efforts.

Resolved, That we will present the claims of the Sunday School Union to all our congregations, and earnestly solicit contributions.

Resolved, That we heartily approve the actions of the General Conference in directing the publication of the Sunday School Teachers' Journal, and that we will seek to give it a wide circulation.

Resolved, That we re-affirm those resolutions in the report of last year, relating to the Sunday School Advocate and its editor.

W. H. BROCKWAY,
J. T. ROBE,
J. E. McALLISTER,
WM. McKNIGHT,
T. J. HILL,

For the Northwestern Christian Advocate.

Memoir of Rev. J. K. Gillett.

The subject of this memoir joined the Michigan Conference in 1839, and filled successively the following appointments, to wit: Dexter, Dundee, Plymouth, Grass Lake, Milford, Manchester, again at Dexter, and also at Dundee, Coldwater District, Niles, and Grand Rapids District. He was a delegate to the Indianapolis General Conference, and also to the late session at Buffalo. I am not in possession of the facts of his early history, and at present have no access to them.

Few men ever more thoroughly tested the strength of divine grace, and none were ever more triumphantly sustained. With him, to preach Christ was to suffer the loss of all things; and this loss he "counted gain." In April last he stood by the ashes of his wife, fallen by his side under the labors and anxieties incident to ministerial life, and gazed upon his motherless little ones, and his desolate home, stricken and tearful, yet rejoicing in the Lord. From this fresh grave, duty commanded him to the chief council of the church: and thence to the sick couch of his little daughter, to watch a week in painful anxiety, and then he was again among us, heavy in heart

but triumphant in soul—a wounded general shouting on his troops to the charge.

At his first quarterly meeting after his return, held on Kelloggville Circuit, he was attacked on Saturday evening with hemorrhage of the lungs, discharging from his mouth, as nearly as could be estimated, half a gallon of blood. He was regarded as one of our most hardy men, and was stricken without any premonition whatever. Next morning, feeling but little inconvenience, he conducted the love-feast, and preached his last sermon from Rom. xii., 1—"I beseech you therefore, brethren," &c. It seemed as though his mighty spirit had summoned all its force for this last shout from the battlement, while he offered HIS BODY a living sacrifice to the cause of Christ. He said it was the happiest Sabbath of his life. Soon after he sat down, he was attacked a second time, bleeding about the same quantity as at first, and nearly dying from suffocation. The next day he was brought to my house, in this city, a distance of some twelve miles, where he remained till his death. The best medical assistance was immediately procured, but, on Wednesday following, the hemorrhage recurred as profusely as before, and prostrated by loss of blood almost to helplessness, he lingered a week in pain, when a fourth attack resulted in death. His physician was most devoted in his attentions, and all that loving hearts could suggest was done to save him; but all in vain.

He was a quiet, unobtrusive man, but an indefatigable laborer; placid, yet a constant and ardent love for Christ and the church made him abundant in labors, and wholly forgetful of self, he offered his soul and his body a living sacrifice to God and his cause. In the pulpit he was not brilliant, but always clear, logical, evangelical, and profound, and often powerful. His clearness of judgment and rare power of reason made him a tower of strength in the church, and in her councils his advice was always received with profoundest respect, and was generally decisive. To differ with him in a matter he had thoroughly investigated, was usually to err. These qualities, added to great wealth of heart, made him a most efficient and valuable presiding elder. His insight into character, his power of comprehending and unraveling complicated cases, his wisdom in the application of remedies, his uniform geniality and kindness, his total freedom from

ostentation and petty prejudices, his entire forgetfulness of self in his love for the cause of Christianity—in short, his noble, manly soul, imbued with wisdom from on high, and the Spirit of Christ, guaranteed right and impartial action. He walked among his preachers like a father among his children. None distrusted him—all loved him, and every where he was greeted by preachers and people with the utmost respect and attention.

His chamber, during his illness, seemed "quite on the verge of heaven." His soul was continually drawn out in prayer and praise during his waking hours. "I am ready," said he, with characteristic heroism, "to live and labor, or to suffer and die." "Think of me, whether living or dying, as happy in God." In glorious triumph he heard the summons, "Come up higher," and his exultant spirit heard the voice of Jesus saying, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

His death in the prime of his years and maturity of his strength, is indeed a mysterious providence, and will fill the churches with mourning. The loss of no one could have been more deeply felt or more bitterly mourned, but our trust is in that God who clothed him with strength, and who "buries his workmen, and still carries on his work."

But especially is his death a terrible loss to his three orphan children. These, in his last hours, with many tears and prayers, he commended to God and the church—to that God who had sustained him, and to that church upon whom he had bestowed all his substance, the strength of his manhood, and his very life. All he ever possessed of money, or muscle, or intellect, he laid upon her altars; and who can measure the weight, or tell the sacredness of her obligation to cherish his now penniless children? That obligation we feel and trust will be faithfully met.

M. A. DAUGHERTY.

Report of the Committee on Parsonages.

It would doubtless be good economy for both preachers and people, so far as possible, to build or purchase a good Parsonage for each District, circuit and station. It would save the preachers

from much embarrassment and inconvenience in entering upon their work, and the people from the constant expense of house rent. It is not only a fact that it is often hard to find a suitable house for the preacher to live in, but in many cases the rent virtually comes out of his small salary. Your Committee find 115 charges, including districts, returned in our last Minutes, ten of which require the labor of two men. Our present returns show but 65 Parsonages within the bounds of our Conference—not more than one half the number needed for the use of the preachers the coming year; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That in view of the great temporal prosperity of the country, we believe it to be our duty, if appointed to charges destitute of Parsonages, to make a determined effort to build a good and commodious Parsonage in a pleasant and desirable locality.

Resolved, 2. That if we are appointed where there are Parsonages, we will leave them if possible in a better condition than we find them.

ISAAC BENNETT,
THOS. J. CONGDON.

Report of Committee on Churches and Church Buildings.

As the gospel cannot be preached without a preacher, so it cannot be permanently propagated without a permanent preaching place. Hence the providing of suitable and commodious houses of worship has a vital connection with the existence and triumph of our holy religion. It is an enterprise in which every minister has a deep interest.

The erection of a church for any society or community, as a general rule, belongs to that society or community for whose accommodation it is built. But by reason of the unity of our church and the intimate relation of the different societies with each other, there may be cases in which the erection of a church may be regarded as the appropriate work of a Conference, or of even a larger portion of our communion. Our position in certain prominent places, tends to cast its light or shade over the work through the entire surrounding region. In such cases, it is proper that the societies of the surrounding country assist in the erection of the church edifice. But we think the determining whether the erection of a church edifice in any particular locality is of such general interest as to justify an ap-

peal to other societies for assistance, belongs wholly with the Conference.

Local interests beget local preference and partiality. There is a tendency in preachers and people to regard their own particular locality as peculiarly important, and the society there as an indispensable pillar in the general church edifice, so that if it fall the whole must suffer great damage.

There have been cases of persons who have considered themselves doing God service in traveling abroad and soliciting aid in the erec. tion of churches in places having no special claim upon the public charity. These appeals have sometimes been made and managed in a manner which has proved prejudicial to the interest of the societies from which aid has been obtained, and preventing aid being rendered to those enterprises really worthy of aid from abroad. We also deprecate the policy of commencing church edifices in places having no special claims upon the societies abroad, of such an expensive character as to necessitate the incurring of heavy debts in order to finish them, and then appealing to the Methodist public for the honor of Methodism, to come to the rescue, and avert the infamy of suffering the church to be sold under its incumbrance. Hence, we would recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st. That the members of this Conference be advised not to go among our societies abroad for assistance in building churches, without the authority of the Conference.

Resolved, 2d. That for any member of this Conference, without the authority of the Conference, to enter upon the erection of a church for any charge more expensive than it has the prospect of completing without incurring debt, or obtaining help from abroad, shall be considered a misdemeanor akin to that of maladministration of discipline.

Resolved, 3d. That since the erection of the church at Lansing was advised by this Conference, which recommended the building of a large, commodious, and tasteful edifice, such as would be suitable for the Capitol of our State, therefore we will, as a Conference, continue to lend our influence for the procuring of any further aid that may be required for the completion of the enterprise.

Resolved, 4th. That we deeply regret the embarrassments of the M. E. Church, at Muskegon, and we recommend immediate measures for its relief, among which is the appointment of Rev. E. H. Day, by the Bishop, to succeed Brother Gillett in the financial agency of the Board of Trustees, and that J. C. Blanchard, Esq., be associated with him as legal adviser.

N. ABBOTT, *Ch'n.*

Report of the Mission Auditing Committee.

The Mission Auditing Committee of the Michigan Conference, for the year ending Sept. 27, 1860, beg leave to offer the following as their report:

APPROPRIATIONS AND RECEIPTS.

MARSHALL DISTRICT—E. Holdstock, P. E.		
Dover Circuit	App.	$20 00
Paid as per vouchers	Rec.	20 00
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—A. J. Eldred, P. E.		
Decatur Circuit	App.	$40 00
Paid as per voucher	Rec.	40 00
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—J. K. Gillett, P. E.	App.	$65 00
Grand Rapids, West Charge	"	50 00
Grand Haven	"	100 00
Muskegon	"	25 00
Greenville	"	50 00
		$290 00
Paid as per vouchers	Rec.	141 25
Leaving balance in hands of J. K. Gillett		$148 75
Paid as per vouchers of F. Glass		50 00
		$98 75
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT—S. Steele, P. E.	App.	$200 00
North Port	"	40 00
Elk Rapids	"	30 00
Manistee	"	30 00
Pentwater	"	30 00
		$330 00
Paid as per vouchers	Rec.	330 00
LANSING DISTRICT—H. Law, P. E.	App.	$25 00
Gratiot	"	100 00
St. Johns	"	30 00
Maple Rapids	"	20 00
Okemos	"	20 00
Chrystal Lake	"	25 00
		$220 00
Paid as per vouchers		220 00

Isabella Indian Mission District—G. Bradley, P. E.	App.	$500 00
Interpreter's Salary	"	200 00
Assistant's Salary	"	100 00
Saginaw Bay Mission	"	350 00
Oceana Mission	"	350 00
Interpreter's Salary	"	200 00
Pine River Mission	"	75 00
		$1,775 00
Paid as per vouchers		1,520 00
Leaving a balance in the hands of G. Bradley of		$255 00

Your Committee would further report that they find themselves incompetent to perform the duty assigned them "of auditing the accounts of the Isabella Indian Mission District," excepting so much as relates to the missionary appropriations and expenditures of the year just closed, for the want of proper vouchers and data, and would refer the Conference to the report of G. Bradley, Presiding Elder of said district, as containing the desired information which the Conference seeks.

J. JENNINGS, *Chairman.*
R. C. CRAWFORD, *Sec'y.*

RESOLUTIONS.

PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.

Resolved, That Thos. H. Sinex, Enoch Holdstock, and I. Cogshall, be a committee to publish the minutes of the next Conference, to be held at Battle Creek.

SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

Resolved, That we instruct the Conference Stewards to require of each Superannuated Preacher, who is a claimant upon the Conference Fund, a statement of his receipts in the business he has pursued.

FUNDS FOR BENEVOLENT ENTERPRISES.

Resolved, That we deem it improper and wrong for members or preachers of our church to collect moneys for the benevolent enterprises established by the church, and neglect or refuse to report and pay them to the preacher in charge.

SLAVERY.

Resolved, 1. That we, the members of the Michigan Annual Conference, do hereby re-affirm the principles we have advocated concerning American slavery, and the relation we, as a Church, hold to the same: *we seek its extirpation.*

Resolved, 2. That we approve of the action of our delegates, at the last General Conference, on the slavery question.

ISABELLA INDIAN MISSION.

Resolved, That a committee of three, consisting of T. H. Jacokes, F. B. Bangs, and I. Cogshall, be appointed to settle with Rev. G. Bradley and others, in reference to Indian Mission property.

RULES OF MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

1. The Conference shall meet at 8½ o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12½ P. M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjournment at their discretion,

2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the hour to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journal of the preceding day read and approved.

3. The President shall decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the Conference, but in case of an appeal the question shall be taken without debate.

4. He shall appoint all committees, not otherwise especially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at one time.

5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing if the President, Secretary or any other member request it.

6. When a motion, or resolution, or report presented, is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed as in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before *decision* or amendment.

7. No new motion or resolution shall be made until the one under consideration is disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz.: Indefinite postponement; laying on the table; reference to a committee; postponement to any given time; amendment; or substitute.

8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities, or disrespectful language, but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, or any member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

9. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time without leave of Conference. Nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the majority to move a reconsideration.

12. No member shall absent himself from the services of Conference without leave, unless he be sick or unable to attend.

13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar at the time when such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.

14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.

15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.

16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of Conference, and when approved shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference and preserve them with care, suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference, except with the consent of Conference, and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.

17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.

18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of the Conference until he has first given information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defence.

19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objections are to be made, to the President of the Conference, who shall pass the name by to be investigated in secret session, at such time as the Conference may direct.

ALPHABETICAL LIST

OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CONFERENCE,

With their Post Office Address.

NAMES.	P. O. ADDRESS
Abbott, N.	Jackson
Abbott, I. C.	
Bangs, F. B.	Kalamazoo
Barker, H. P.	Mason
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Bennett, L. M.	Berrien
Beach, A.	Kelloggsville
Bignall, T. H.	Leroy
Billings, A.	Parma
Boynton, J.	Marshall
Boynton, V. G.	Galesburg
Bradley, G.	Albany, Isabella Co.
Braggins, J.	Grand Ledge
Brockway, N. L.	Constantine
Brockway, W. H.	Albion
Buel, J. I.	Richland
Burns, D.	Three Rivers
Beard, E.	Northport
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Camburn, M. B.	Grand Rapids
Cawthorne, J. W.	Flat River
Chambers, E. C.	Union City
Chapin, G. W.	White River
Carpenter, M.	Vermontville
Clark, Thos.	Maple Rapids
Clubine, J.	Mottville
Comfort, W. C.	Hillsdale
Cogshall, I.	Albion
Congdon, T. J.	North Adams
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Coplin, W. M.	Moscow
Crane, E.	Litchfield
Crawford, R. C.	Ionia
Crittenden, A. L.	Coldwater
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Day, E. H.	Galesburg
Doughty, B. F.	Sturgis
Doust, Wm.	Quincy
Dunton, A. A.	Oshtemo
Earl, L. W.	Muskegon
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Eldred, A. J.	Niles
Fassett, N.	Reading
Fisk, L. R.	Lansing
Fowler, J.	St. Johns
George, T. T.	Lawton
Gillett, D. D.	Lansing
Glass, F.	Hastings
Gore, A.	Prairieville
Granger, T. B.	Bellevue
Griffin, L. J.	Oceana
Hall, H.	Saranac
Harder, J. S.	Sumnerville
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Hemenway, F. D.	Evanston, Ill.
Hill, T. J.	Gerard
Hoag, G. W.	Cassapolis
Holdstock, E.	Battle Creek
Hoyt, J.	Bedford
Haviland, D. S.	Flat River
Jennings, J.	Kalamazoo
Johnson, W. W.	White Pigeon
Jacokes, T. H.	Coldwater
Kellogg, Edward L.	Schoolcraft
Kellogg, Erastus L.	Lawrence
Law, Hiram	Niles
Lyon, Thos.	Homer
Latham, D. R.	Allegan
McAllister, J. E.	Centreville
McCarthy, R. D.	West Climax
McKnight, W.	Laphamville

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Penfield, H.	Litchfield
Pengelly, R.	St. Joseph
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Robinson, J. W.	Traverse City
Sabin, B.	Homer
Sapp, R.	Battle Creek
Smith, M. L.	Sparta
Sinex, T. H.	Albion
Steele, S.	Grand Traverse
Steele, N. M.	Manistee
Taylor, I.	Jonesville
Thomas, D.	Eaton Rapids
Tomes, I. N.	Concord
Torrey, A. W.	Osceo
Van Horn, G. A.	New Buffalo
Wakefield, A.	Middleville
Woodard, S. C.	Litchfield
Young, E. D.	Albany, Isabella, Co.

PROBATIONERS.

Bliss, W. C. H.	Ganges
Billing, Jas.	Cooper
Benson, A.	Cambria
Chase, O. F.	Partello
Chick, Jr., C.	Okemos
Child, J. L.	Lamont
Dayton, J. N.	Newaygo
Engle, D.	Saranac
Freeman, F. J.	Dewit
Fox, D. O.	Roseville
Fisher, C. H.	Assyria
Garlick, L. N.	Chrystal Lake
Greensky, Peter	Pine River
Jenkins, W. F.	Greenville
Joy, H. M.	Pentwa er
Lee, G. D.	Burr Oak
Mason, U.	Matherton
Marble, E.	Woodland
Miller, J. W.	Elk Rapids
McCollister, C. E.	Laphamville
Messmore, I. H.	India
Pattison, H. A.	Leonidas
Peck, H. C.	Sparta
Sherman, G. W.	Onandaga
Sprague, J. A.	Matherton
Stafford, Wm.	Dewit
Tuthill, G. W.	Waverly
Van Wyck, A. J.	Holland
Van Antwerp, C. T.	Allen
Wilkinson, E.	Cambria
Wheeler, A. C.	Kelloggsville

BISHOPS OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

Thos. A. Morris	Springfield, O.
E. S. Janes	New York City.
L. Scott	Wilmington, Del.
M. Simpson	Evanston, Ill.
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E. R. Ames	Indianapolis, Ind.

MINUTES

OF THE

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OF THE

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MINUTES.

The Twenty-sixth Annual Session of the Michigan Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was held at Battle Creek, commencing Wednesday, October 2, 1861, at eight o'clock A. M., Bishop E. R. Ames presiding.

The session was opened with reading the Scriptures, singing, and prayer by the Bishop, assisted by Rev. I. Cogshall.

The roll of Conference was called by the Secretary of the last session of the Conference, and eighty-one members responded to their names.

The Conference was then organized by the election of Thos. H. Sinex, Secretary, and I. Cogshall, and J. W. Robinson Assistants.

The appointments were announced on Tuesday, October 8, at about half-past eleven o'clock A. M.

Standing Committees.

On Public Worship—R. Sapp, E. Holdstock, E. H. Day.

Stewards—Henry Penfield, T. B. Granger, N. Cleveland, L. M. Edmonds, A. Wakefield.

Mission Auditing Committee—J. Jennings, M. A. Daugherty, H. Morgan.

On Education—N. Abbott, D. Burns, F. D. Hemenway, D. R. Latham, F. Glass, A. Billings, J. W. Cawthorne.

On Temperance—T. H. Bignell, N. L. Brockway, I. Bennett.

On Bible Cause—N. Fassett, E. Beard, H. P. Barker, G. W. Hoag, W. M. Coplin.

On Tract Cause—D. D. Gillett, L. J. Griffin, T. J. Hill.

On Sunday School Cause—W. C. Comfort, A. Coplin, Thos. Lyon, L. M. Bennett, T. T. George, V. G. Boynton, N. Mount.

On Albion College—J. Boynton, H. Morgan, E. Crane, H. Hall, D. Thomas, E. D. Young, G. W. Chapin.

On Missions—The Presiding Elders.

On Parsonages—J. H. Pitezel, S. C. Woodard, A. W. Torrey.

On Post Offices—W. W. Johnson.

On Necessitous Cases—Conference Stewards.

On Church Extension—C. C. Olds, W. Doust, T. J. Congdon.

On the State of the Country—M. A. Daugherty, R. C. Crawford, D. Burns, H. Law, J. Jennings, T. Clark, A. L. Crittenden.

Committee to Audit the Accounts of E. H. Day, Agent of Muskegon Church—R. Sapp. J. W. Robinson, L. W. Earl.

Statistical Secretary—A. A. Dunton.

On Use of Tobacco—E. Crane, R. Sapp, W. McKnight.

Disciplinary Questions.

QUESTION 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

Wm. W. Rork, Joseph Jones, Wm. J. Swift, Wm. M. Colby, A. Allen Darling.

QUESTION 2. *Who remain on trial?*

J. H. Messmore, O. F. Chase, C. H. Fisher, James Billing, L. N. Garlick, J. W. Miller, Peter Greensky, Charles T. Van Antwerp, D. O. Fox, Amos Benson, H. C. Peck, Edward Wilkinson, David Engle, G. W. Tuthill, W. C. H. Bliss, Wm. Stafford, W. F. Jenkins, Charles Chick, Jr.

QUESTION 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

Elisha Marble, Holmes A. Pattison, Henry M. Joy, James N. Dayton, George D. Lee, A. C. Wheeler, J. A. Sprague, N. Cleveland, Uri Mason, A. J. Van Wyck, George W. Sherman, James L. Child, Adam Y. Graham.

QUESTION 4. *Who are the Deacons?*

Edgar Beard, N. Maffitt Steele, Horace H. Bement, David R. Latham, Daniel S. Haviland, R. D. McCarthy, Lewis R. Fisk, H. P. Barker, J. M. Pratt, Hugh Caldwell, Elisha Marble,* H. M. Joy,* G. D. Lee,* J. N. Dayton,* A. C. Wheeler,* J. A. Sprague,* Uri Mason,* A. J. Van Wyck,* G. W. Sherman.*

QUESTION 5. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

A. C. Hazzard, G. W. Chapin, J. Fowler, A. W. Torrey, M. I. Smith, Alanson Coplin, T. T. George, J. Hoyt, L. M. Edmonds, J. I. Buell, A. Gore, Wm. Doust, A. Beach, J. Clubine, G. D. Palmer, L. J. Griffin.

QUESTION 6. *Who have located this year?*

M. Carpenter, N. Abbott, V. G. Boynton, J. Braggins, A. C. Wheeler, B. F. Doughty.

QUESTION 7. *Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?*

B. Sabin, J. H. Pitezel, E. Crane, I. C. Abbott, H. P. Barker, J. T. Robe, I. Taylor.

QUESTION 8. *Who have been expelled from the connection this year?*

None.

QUESTION 9. *Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?*

J. Odell.

QUESTION 10. *Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?*

The names of all the preachers were called over, and their characters examined.

* Ordained this year.

QUESTION 11. *Who have died this year?*

None.

QUESTION 12. *What is the number of church members?*

See Statistics, Table No. 2.

QUESTION 13. *What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?*

Fourteen hundred dollars.

QUESTION 14. *What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

From the several charges as fifth collection		$552	61
Conference collection		40	82
Chartered fund		25	00
Total		$618	43
Distributed as follows:			
To E. Westlake	$168 21		
To S. C. Woodward	168 21		
To Mrs. Staples	65 83		
To Mrs. Bignell	105 13		
To Mrs. King	31 55		
To Mrs. Brakeman	52 57		
To J. K. Gillett's children	26 93—	618	43
From the Parkhurst fund		17	10
Distributed as follows:			
To Mrs. Staples	3 86		
To Mrs. Bignell	6 43		
To Mrs. King	1 93		
To Mrs. Brakeman	3 22		
J. K. Gillett's children	1 66—	17	10

QUESTION 15. *Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

Marshall District.

E. HOLDSTOCK, P. E.

Marshall—J. Boynton.
Albion—R. Sapp.
Parma—H. Caldwell.
Jackson—M. A. Daugherty.
Homer—Thos. Lyon.
Concord—Geo. W. Chapin.
Marengo—To be supplied.
Partello—I. N. Tomes.
Burlington—S. A. Osborn.
Leroy—T. H. Bignell.
Battle Creek—Joseph Jennings.
Bellevue—T. B. Granger.
Union City—R. D. McCarthy.
Bedford—E. C. Chambers.
Kalamo Centre—J. Hoyt.
Leonidas—A. Coplin.
Moscow—W. M. Coplin, E. Wilkinson

Thos. H. Sinex, President, and C. C. Olds, Professor of Albion College, both members of Albion Quarterly Conference.

Wm. H. Brockway, Chaplain in the army, member of Albion Quarterly Conference.

H. A. Pattison, Chaplain in the army, member of Battle Creek Quarterly Conference.

Coldwater District.

T. H. JACOKES, P. E.

Coldwater—I. Cogshall.
Gerard—G. D. Lee.
Centreville—J. E. McAlister.
Constantine—N. L. Brockway.
Mottville—J. Clubine.
White Pigeon—T. J. Congdon.
Sturgis—S. C. Woodard.
Burr Oak—A. W. Torrey.
Reading—A. C. Hazzard.
Quincy—W. W. Johnson.
California—A. Benson.
Jonesville—N. M. Steele.
Hillsdale—W. C. Comfort.
Osseo—A. L. Crittenden.
Cambria—T. J. Hill.
Litchfield—H. Penfield.
Allen—C. T. Van Antwerp.
North Adams—W. Doust.

Kalamazoo District.

F. B. BANGS, P. E.

Kalamazoo—F. D. Hemenway.
Oshtemo—A. A. Dunton.
Schoolcraft—E. L. Kellogg.
Paw Paw—I. Bennett.
Cooper—W. C. H. Bliss.
Galesburg—A. Billings.
West Climax—A. Gore.
Richland—E. H. Day.
Prairieville—G. W. Tuthill.
Otsego—G. A. Van Horn.
Allegan—A. Y. Graham.
Wayland—J. Billing.
Waverly—C. H. Fisher.
Ganges—To be supplied.
Three Rivers—D. Burns.

Niles District.

A. J. ELDRED, P. E.

Niles—H. Law.
Buchanan—L. M. Edmonds.
Dowagiac—N. Fassett.
Cassapolis—G. W. Hoag.
Edwardsburg—M. B. Camburn.
Sumnerville—E. L. Kellogg.
Hartford—J. I. Buel.
Berrien—N. Cleveland.
St. Joseph—R. Pengelly.
New Buffalo—E. Beard.
Lawrence—L. M. Bennett, A. J. Van Wyck.
Coloma—J. S. Harder.
Lawton—Thos. T. George.

Grand Rapids District.

H. MORGAN, P. E.

Grand Rapids East—D. R. Latham.
Grand Rapids West—J. W. Robinson.
Kelloggville—A. Beach, D. S. Haviland.
Sparta—E. Marble, D. O. Fox.
Lamont—M. I. Smith, W. M. Colby.
Muskegon—L. W. Earl.
Newaygo—W. J. Swift.
Laphamville—W. McKnight. One to be supplied.
Greenville—J. L. Child.
Flat River—J. M. Pratt.
Otisco—H. H. Bement.
Saranac—W. F. Jenkins, D. Engle.
Ionia—R. C. Crawford.
Palo—J. A. Sprague.
Middleville—A. Wakefield.
Hastings—J. N. Dayton.
Woodland—J. W. Cawthorne.

F. Glass, Chaplain in the army, member of Hastings Quarterly Conference.

Lansing District.

GEO. BRADLEY, P. E.

Lansing—D. D. Gillet.
Grand Ledge—M. Mount, L. N. Garlick.
Maple Rapids—N. L. Otis.
St. Johns—J. Fowler.
Matherton—T. Clark.
Rochester Colony—To be supplied.
Dewitt—W. Stafford.
Portland—E. Westlake.
Lyons—H. Hall.
Charlotte—J. Jones.
Vermontville—U. Mason.
Okemos—C. Chick.
Gratiot—To be supplied.
Chippewa—To be supplied.
Onondaga—G. W. Sherman.
Eaton Rapids—D. Thomas.
Mason—O. F. Chase.
Isabella Indian Mission—E. D. Young, Peter Greensky.

L. R. Fisk, Professor Michigan Agricultural College, member of Lansing Quarterly Conference.

Grand Traverse District.

S. STEELE, P. E.

Traverse City—W. Rork.
North Port—J. W. Miller.
Elk Rapids—G. D. Palmer.
Frankfort—To be supplied.
Manistee—A. A. Darling.
Pentwater—H. M. Joy.
Old Mission—To be supplied.
White River—L. J. Griffin.
Oceana Indian Miss.—P. Marksman.
Pine River Ind. Mis.—To be supplied

J. H. Messmore, missionary to India.

QUESTION 16. *Where and when shall our next Conference be held?*

At Grand Rapids; time not fixed.

Course of Study.

Committees of Examinations.

1. *For Candidates for Admission on Trial.*

English Grammar, Modern Geography, True's Logic, Newman's Rhetoric—Presiding Elder, Preacher in Charge.

2. *For Conference Membership and for Orders.*

FIRST YEAR.

Bible as to Doctrines, Watson's Institutes, first part, Wesley's Christian Perfection, Fletcher's Appeal, Clark's Mental Discipline, Essay or Sermon—A. A. Dunton, T. H. Bignell, T. Clark.

SECOND YEAR.

Bible as to Sacraments, Watson's Institutes, second part, Fletcher's Christian Perfection, Strickland's Manual of Biblical Literature, Methodist Discipline, Mitchell's Ancient Geography, Essay or Sermon—R. C. Crawford, W. W. Johnson, D. R. Latham.

THIRD YEAR.

Bible History and Chronology, Watson's Institutes, third part, Butler's Analogy, Peck's Rule of Faith, Hibbard on Baptism, Ruter's Church History, Blair's Lectures on Rhetoric, Hedge's Logic, Essay or Sermon—A. L. Crittenden, L. W. Earl, N. Mount.

FOURTH YEAR.

Review of the whole course, Watson's Institutes, fourth part, Claude's Essay, Horne's Introduction, Stewart's Mental Philosophy, Essay or Sermon—H. Penfield, H. Hall, J. S. Harder.

To Examine Local Preachers—G. W. Hoag, J. Fowler, T. Lyon.
To Examine Local Deacons—E. Crane, A. Billings, I. Bennett.

Trustees, Visitors, and Delegates.

Trustees of Albion College—H. Penfield, S. W. Walker.
Trustees of North-Western University—Thos. H. Sinex, for two years, I. Cogshall, for one year.
Visitors to Albion College—M. A. Daugherty, J. N. Dayton, D. R. Latham, J. Boynton.
Visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute—A. J. Eldred, T. H. Jacokes.
Visitors to Lansing Female College—M. A. Daugherty, Wm. C. Comfort, D. Burns.
Visitors to Colon Seminary—D. Burns, J. E. McAllister, S. C. Woodward.
Visitors to Albion Commercial College—R. Sapp, J. Boynton, T. H. Sinex.
Delegate to Presbyterian Synod—W. C. Comfort.
Delegate to Congregational State Association—J. H. Pitezel.
Delegate to Baptist State Convention—J. Boynton.

Statistical Tables.

1. Stewards' Report.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLL'ON
		CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS	REC'TS.	
MARSHALL DISTRICT.	E. Holdstock	$600 00	$525 00	100 00	100 00	------
Marshall	J. Boyington	600 00	550 00	------	P	15 11
Albion	I. Cogshall	550 00	600 00	------	P	8 00
Parma	A. Billings	450 00	450 00	------	P	12 00
Springport	S. Fassett	150 00	150 00	------	------	------
Jackson	N. Abbott	550 00	500 00	------	P	------
Homer	Thos. Lyon	500 00	500 00	------	P	15 00
Concord	I. N. Tomes	404 00	315 28	75 00	75 00	10 00
Marengo	A. Coplin	250 00	225 00	------	------	5 34
Partello	O. F. Chase	200 00	200 00	------	P	3 00
Burlington	S. A. Osborn	414 00	377 25	50 00	50 00	3 00
Leroy	T. H. Bignell	415 00	415 00	------	P	12 00
Battle Creek	R. Sapp	600 00	600 00	------	P	------
Bellevue	T. B. Granger	550 00	400 00	52 00	52 00	1 37
Union City	E. C. Chambers	400 00	264 04	------	P	5 75
Bedford	J. Hoyt	300 00	250 00	------	P	6 03
Assyria	C. H. Fisher	300 00	175 00	17 00	2 00	4 00
Leonidas	H. A. Patterson	350 00	266 00	60 00	60 00	6 00
Moscow	W. M. Coplin	425 00	300 00	------	P	13 41
"	G. D. Palmer	390 00	270 94	------	P	------
Albion College	T. H. Sinex	800 00	800 00	150 00	150 00	------
"	C. C. Olds	550 00	550 00	------	------	------
		$9148 00	$8683 51	504 00	489 00	120 01
COLDWATER DISTRICT	T. H. Jacokes	$596 00	$500 00	104 00	104 00	------
Coldwater	A. L. Crittenden	533 00	533 00	------	P	6 60
Girard	T. J. Hill	400 00	300 00	------	P	4 10
Centreville	J. E. McAllister	500 00	500 00	------	P	15 00
Three Rivers	D. Burns	550 00	550 00	------	P	7 25
Constantine	N. L. Brockway	450 00	450 00	------	P	15 00
Quincy	Wm. Doust	500 00	310 00	60 00	60 00	2 30
California	A. C. Hazzard	375 00	240 00	------	P	4 75
Jonesville	I. Taylor	480 00	380 00	80 00	80 00	3 00
Hillsdale	W. C. Comfort	500 00	308 96	------	P	3 65
Osceo	A. W. Torry	350 00	325 00	------	P	5 00
Mottville	J. Clubine	325 00	211 00	------	P	3 00
White Pigeon	W. W. Johnson	500 00	330 00	------	P	7 55
Sturgis	B. F. Doughty	------	------	------	------	------
Burr Oak	G. D. Lee	416 00	416 00	55 00	55 00	3 00
Reading	N. Fasset	450 00	450 00	50 00	50 00	2 64
Cambria	E. Wilkinson	300 00	160 00	------	P	------
"	A. Benson	160 00	71 00	------	------	------
Allen	C. T. VanAntwerp	320 00	270 00	20 00	------	2 00
Litchfield	H. Penfield	500 00	500 00	------	P	9 87
North Adams	T. J. Congden	400 00	300 00	------	P	6 70
		$8605 00	$8105 06	369 00	349 00	101 41

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLL'ON.
		CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS.	REC'TS.	
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT	F. B. Bangs	$650 00	$550 00	150 00	150 00	.....
Kalamazoo	J. Jennings	625 00	625 00	.....	P	28 00
Oshtemo	A. A. Dunton	445 00	396 00	50 00	50 00	10 71
Schoolcraft	E. L. Kellogg	500 00	425 00	.....	.....	7 10
Paw Paw	H. Morgan	500 00	430 00	.....	.....	7 25
Cooper	J. Billing	500 00	300 00	25 00	25 00	8 00
Galesburg	V. G. Boyington	465 00	400 00	.....	P	15 55
West Climax	R. D. McCarthy	270 00	215 00	54 00	54 00	.....
Richland	J. I. Buel	450 00	400 00	32 00	32 00	5 00
Prairieville	A. Gore	400 00	300 00	.....	P	5 12
Otsego	F. Gage	400 00	400 00	.....	.....	3 00
Allegan	D. R. Latham	450 00	252 00	.....	P	2 50
Wayland	N. Cleveland	450 00	370 00	.....	P	4 00
Waverley	G. W. Tuthill	300 00	190 00	.....	.....	3 00
Ganges	W. C. H. Bliss	400 00	245 00	.....	P	.....
Lawton	T. T. George	400 00	320 00	48 00	48 00	8 00
"	E. H. Day	625 00	600 00	.....	.....	.....
		$7830 00	$6418 00	359 00	359 00	107 23
NILES DISTRICT	A. J. Eldred	$600 00	$550 00	100 00	100 00	.....
Niles	H. Law	625 00	625 00	.....	P	28 00
Buchanan	L. M. Edmonds	450 00	350 00	.....	P	10 00
Dowagiac	H. Worthington	550 00	550 00	60 00	60 00	5 25
Cassapolis	G. W. Hoag	375 00	330 00	50 00	50 00	6 16
Edwardsburgh	I. Bennett	500 00	425 00	.....	P	18 00
Summerville	J. S. Harder	435 00	300 46	.....	P	5 70
Decatur	J. Jones	380 00	334 00	45 00	.....	2 25
Berrien	L. M. Bennett	400 00	250 35	30 00	30 00	7 35
St. Joseph	R. Pengelly	600 00	600 00	100 00	100 00	3 50
New Buffalo	G. A. Van Horn	400 00	312 00	.....	P	4 00
Lawrence	E. L. Kellogg	400 00	350 00	.....	P	3 00
Coloma	H. Caldwell	400 00	205 00	30 00	30 00	4 55
"	R. Soule	400 00	130 00	.....	P	.....
Garrett Institute	F. D. Hemenway	900 00	900 00	.....	.....	.....
		$7365 00	$5911 81	415 00	370 00	97 76
GR. RAPIDS DIST.	M. B. Camburn	$700 00	$488 18	100 00	100 00	.....
Grand Rapids East	M. A. Dougherty	800 00	800 00	.....	P	11 00
Grand Rapids West	J. T. Robe	535 00	335 00	65 00	65 00	6 00
Kelloggsville	A. Beach	423 25	234 68	.....	P	8 20
"	A. C. Wheeler	181 75	100 77	.....	.....	.....
Sparta	M. I. Smith	400 00	217 00	.....	P	5 00
"	H. C. Peck	316 00	146 78	.....	.....	.....
Holland	A. J. Van Wyck	300 00	122 00	.....	.....	.....
Lamont	H. H. Bement	200 00	138 00	.....	.....	3 75
"	J. L. Childs	400 00	276 32	.....	P	.....
Flat River	J. W. Cawthorn	402 00	230 00	.....	P	13 02
"	D. S. Haviland	411 41	240 94	40 00	40 00	.....
Saranac	Horace Hall	475 00	353 76	.....	P	4 75
"	D. Engle	300 00	222 47	25 00	25 00	.....
Ionia	R. C. Crawford	500 00	500 00	.....	P	5 00
Muskegon	L. W. Earl	500 00	300 00	.....	.....	.....
Newaygo	J. N. Dayton	300 00	94 28	60 00	60 00	.....

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLL'ON.
		CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS.	REC'TS.	
Laphamville	Wm. McKnight	$365 00	$227 48	25 00	25 00	7 50
"	S. Bigelow	125 00	77 82			
Greenville	W. F. Jenkins	418 00	351 00		P	50
"	J. F. Spencer	50 00	30 00			
Middleville	A. Wakefield	395 00	256 36	40 00	40 00	6 00
Hastings	F. Glass	450 00	317 00		P	
Woodland	E. Marble	300 00	275 00		P	2 30
		$9247 41	$6336 64	355 00	355 00	73 02
LANSING DISTRICT	Geo. Bradley	$650 00	356 00			
Lansing	D. D. Gillett	548 00	400 00		P	5 50
Grand Ledge	J. Braggins	400 00	195 00		P	3 00
Maple Rapids	Thos. Clark	400 00	299 55		P	3 00
St. Johns	J. Fowler	348 07	264 18	65 00	65 00	5 50
"	J. Webb	261 44	203 78		P	
Matherton	J. A. Sprague	400 00	250 00		P	3 00
Chrystal Lake	U. Mason	400 00	250 00		P	
"	L. N. Garlick	200 00	165 00			1 00
Dewitt	W. Stafford	435 75	300 07		P	3 53
"	F. J. Freeman					
Portland	N. L. Otis	450 00				8 00
"	J. M. Pratt	525 00	175 00	75 00	30 00	
Charlotte	N. Mount	425 00	300 00		P	3 00
Vermontville	M. Carpenter	450 00	220 00	45 00	45 00	
Okemos	C. Chick, Jr.	350 00	270 00		P	
Gratiot	Isaac Finch	200 00	57 00			1 00
Chippewa	S. P. Shelden	300 00	300 00			2 65
Onondaga	G. W. Sherman	326 00	221 00	24 00	24 00	
Eaton Rapids	D. Thomas	480 00	356 67	51 00	51 00	
Mason	H. P. Barker	303 00	255 00		P	5 68
"	A. A. Darling	40 00	30 00			
Isabella Ind. Missi'n	E. D. Young	600 00	600 00		P	
Agricultural College	L. R. Fisk	1000 00	1000 00			
		$9492 26	$6759 25	260 00	215 00	44 86
GR. TRAVERSE DIST.	S. Steele	$500 00	$475 00	80 00	55 00	
Traverse City	J. W. Robinson	600 00	375 00	10 00	10 00	1 00
Northport	E. Beard	400 00	160 00	25 00	25 00	
Elk Rapids	J. W. Wilson	400 00	200 00	20 00	20 00	
Manistee	N. M. Steele	150 00	150 00		P	5 00
Pentwater	H. M. Joy	380 00	195 42	10 00	10 00	1 00
Roseville	D. O. Fox	200 00	175 71			1 32
White River	G. W. Chapin	300 00	210 10		P	
Oceana Ind. Missi'n	L. J. Griffin	400 00	400 00			
Pine River	Peter Greensky	100 00	100 00			
		$3430 00	$2441 23	145 00	120 00	8 32

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLL'ON.
	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	
Marshall	$9148 00	$8683 51	$504 00	$489 00	$120 01
Coldwater	8605 00	8105 06	369 00	349 00	101 41
Kalamazoo	7830 00	6413 00	359 00	359 00	107 23
Niles	7365 00	5911 81	415 00	370 00	97 76
Grand Rapids	9247 41	6336 64	355 00	355 00	73 02
Lansing	9492 26	6759 25	260 00	215 00	44 86
Grand Traverse	3430 00	2441 23	145 00	120 00	8 32
	$55117 67	$44650 49	$2407 00	$2257 00	$552 61

Statistical Table, No. 2.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Soc'y	For Bible Soc'y	For Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library
MARSHALL DISTRICT.																			
Marshall	186	4	10	.....	6	3	1	$10000	1	$1000	$15 11	$64 16	.....	$13 00	$5 00	2	28	234	385
Albion	170	2	10	2	1	.....	1	5000	1	1500	8 00	94 67	.....	25 00	.....	2	15	100	300
Parma	187	4	20	4	4	.....	3	2500	1	900	12 00	52 50	.....	12 25	.....	3	15	100	320
Springport	75	.....	12	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	3	18	65	130
Jackson	121	1	10	1	.....	.....	1	5000	1	3300	.....	5 84	.....	.....	.....	1	18	90	200
Homer	245	1	55	3	82	.....	2	3000	1	600	15 00	133 75	.....	.....	5 40	2	24	90	400
Concord	94	1	17	3	12	3	2	2000	.....	.....	10 60	67 35	.....	.....	51	3	30	90	350
Marengo	71	1	15	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1	1200	5 34	12 50	.....	.....	.....	3	19	120	207
Partello	64	2	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	1	300	3 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	1	5	50	80
Burlington	145	1	25	.....	15	3	2	1500	.....	.....	3 00	46 50	.....	.....	.....	1	10	40	200
Leroy	192	4	37	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	1	600	12 00	123 00	.....	.....	.....	1	8	20	100
Battle Creek	209	4	14	2	2	8	1	15000	1	1400	.....	24 20	.....	.....	.....	1	24	250	300
Bellevue	120	3	5	2	6	.....	1	2000	1	1000	1 37	1 25	.....	.....	.....	7	52	245	400
Union City	151	1	19	3	7	.....	1	2000	1	150	5 75	44 40	.....	.....	.....	3	15	95	.....
Bedford	92	1	30	1	9	3	.....	.....	1	300	6 03	23 00	.....	.....	.....	4	20	100	.....
Assyria	114	2	10	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	5	34	150	500
Leonidas	203	1	3	6	6	.....	2	6000	.....	.....	6 00	16 00	.....	.....	.....	3	22	60	342
Moscow	186	1	21	3	3	1	1	2000	2	1000	19 88	18 88	.....	.....	1 00	6	84	200	2000
Total	2625	34	313	34	159	25	18	$56000	14	13250	126 48	749 00	.....	50 25	11 91	51	441	2099	6214
COLDWATER DISTRICT.																			
Coldwater	176	4	39	1	1	.....	1	1500	1	1000	6 60	66 80	.....	20 00	4 75	1	25	175	400
Girard	128	1	21	2	15	.....	1	1600	1	200	4 10	33 62	.....	.....	3 05	3	35	150	500
Centreville	184	6	27	3	11	1	2	4500	1	900	15 00	185 51	10 00	2 00	26 00	5	58	230	1037
Three Rivers	247	3	70	2	10	7	2	1200	1	1000	7 25	78 00	.....	.....	5 00	2	21	125	450
Constantine	130	1	5	1	3	1	1	1500	1	600	15 02	70 00	50	1 00	4 24	4	36	120	400
Quincy	200	1	15	3	7	.....	1	1200	.....	.....	2 30	8 50	.....	.....	.....	4	28	122	400
California	133	4	4	2	2	.....	.....	.....	1	300	4 75	24 00	1 00	.....	.....	6	28	130	400
Jonesville	148	1	5	.....	.....	.....	2	3000	.....	.....	3 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2	27	115	330
Hillsdale	88	4	3	.....	4	.....	1	1000	1	800	3 65	7 69	68	.....	.....	1	15	133	400
Osceo	210	1	17	5	16	2	2	1500	1	200	5 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	6	60	224	1000
Mottville	86	2	2	1	.....	.....	3	3000	1	600	3 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	3	18	200	500
White Pigeon	69	1	18	1	15	.....	1	2000	1	1000	7 55	30 66	.....	.....	.....	2	24	100	500
Sturgis	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Burr Oak	125	1	5	3							3 00	14 00				3	25	120	400
Reading	97	2	19	1	3		1	1700			2 64	21 32			1 04	1	12	50	200
Cambria	232	2	38	4	2				1	250		9 62				7	58	217	835
Litchfield	227	4	80	1	28	3	2	1400	1	500	9 89	50 00		12 94	4 67	3	35	140	420
Allen	137		23	3	15		1	700			2 00					2	21	109	205
North Adams	137	1	10	1	6		2	1300	1	500	6 70	18 35				3	25	75	400
Total	2754	39	401	34	138	14	23	27100	13	7850	101 45	663 07	12 18	35 94	48 75	58	551	2535	8577
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.																			
Kalamazoo	244		2	2			1	4000	1	1500	28 00	112 00	5 50	50 00	14 50	1	20	200	355
Oshtemo	133	2	36	3		1					10 75	11 25		8 28	1 50	2	22	80	300
Schoolcraft	150	2	10	1	2	2	2	3500			7 10	38 25			2 34	4	45	200	750
Paw Paw	95		12	3	10	3	1	2000			7 38	27 30	2 58	14 00	2 35	1	13	75	300
Cooper	74		1	2							8 00	24 00			3 50	2	11	90	175
Galesburgh	136	3	10	1	3		2	3900	1	600	15 52	35 68			1 00	3	28	140	500
West Climax	45	1		2	2							10 00				1	6	30	
Richland	135	1	6	1	3	3			1	800	5 00	26 35			2 60	5	25	100	592
Prairieville	79	1	10	1	15				1	400	5 11	7 01				4	37	158	225
Otsego	110		15		20	2	1	1500			3 00	17 81				3	37	120	627
Allegan	103	2	7	1	2	6	1	2000	1	800	2 50	5 10			1 20	2	12	44	60
Wayland	100		2		3	5			1	400	4 00	6 00				5	34	175	477
Waverley	86		45	1	9	2					3 00	3 00				6	42	145	513
Ganges	98	2	2						1	400		5 58				5	25	100	400
Lawton	89	1	17		6						8 00	36 00				2	17	90	140
Total	1677	15	175	18	75	24	8	16000	7	4900	107 36	365 33	8 08	72 28	28 99	46	374	1747	5414
NILES DISTRICT.																			
Niles	167	3	3	1			1	1000	1	1000	28 00	101 00		16 00	25 00	1	20	148	480
Buchanan	166	1	23	1	16	4	2	5000	1	500	10 00	43 85		10 00	8 75	3	35	175	300
Dowagiac	136	2	26	1	3	1	2	5000			5 65	5 00				2	20	207	429
Cassapolis	135	1	19	2	4		2	1000	1	900	6 16	14 00	1 00	12 50		3	28	175	325
Edwardsburgh	183	5	7	1	3	6	4	9000	1	700	18 00	90 00		5 50	2 30	4	40	149	570
Summerville	173	4	16	2	4		2	1000	1	250	5 70	28 90				5	41	156	575
Decatur	93	1	28	1	15	10	2	4800			2 25					2	12	75	400
Berrien	136	1	18	3	8	1	1	850			7 35	17 35	10 00	2 86	5 67	7	48	254	860
St. Joseph	68	3	2	2	1	3	1	3000	1	1000	3 50	3 08			2 40	1	16	110	250
New Buffalo	44	1	1						1	250	4 00	6 00				3	21	35	260
Lawrence	160		12	2	25	3			2	700	2 79	10 69				2	16	40	100
Coloma	241	3	27	5	11	1	1	2100	1	500	4 55	24 00				8	52	169	638
Total	1702	25	182	21	90	29	18	32750	10	5800	97 95	344 37	11 00	46 86	44 12	41	349	1693	5187
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.																			
Grand Rapids East	216	4	14	3	7	4	1	3000	1	2500	11 00	142 00		15 00		2	30	250	600
Grand Rapids West	159	1	18	2	1	1	1	900			6 00		20 00			3	36	160	221
Kelloggville	185	2	26	4	9	7			1	800	8 20	42 75				6	61	164	480
Sparta	170	2	35	2	5				1	400	5 00	14 00	2 00			9	50	200	800
Holland	21	2	22		2							15 00				2	12	80	120
Lamont	117	1	11		7		1	600	1	500	3 75	10 51		6 05		3	18	106	107

STATISTICAL TABLE, No. 2—Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Soc'y	For Bible Soc'y	For Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library
Flat River	281	5	50	4	.....	3	1	$ 800	1	$ 400	$13 02	$48 05	.....	.....	.....	10	108	548	897
Saranac	263	4	10	2	1	1	.....	.....	1	900	4 75	96 00	.....	.....	2 50	7	58	198	890
Ionia	181	3	20	3	.....	3	2	1800	1	1000	5 00	32 50	.....	.....	2 00	1	15	150	350
Muskegon	19	1	4	.....	.....	2	1	12000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	50	300
Newaygo	16	.....	5	.....	1	1	1	3000	.....	.....	.....	2 65	.....	.....	.....	1	7	35	125
Laphamville	195	3	48	2	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00	10 00	.....	.....	2 00	5	57	150	853
Middleville	110	1	20	1	7	.....	1	2000	.....	.....	6 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	2	21	95	342
Hastings	118	2	30	3	14	.....	1	3000	1	1000	.....	9 00	.....	.....	.....	4	25	180	170
Woodland	127	2	4	1	2	.....	.....	.....	1	350	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	62	233	456
Greenville	122	1	17	3	2	.....	1	2500	1	500	50	19 00	10 00	.....	.....	4	31	87	397
Total	2300	34	334	30	65	22	11	29600	10	8350	70 22	446 46	32 00	21 05	6 50	66	606	2686	7138
LANSING DISTRICT.																			
Lansing	182	4	25	1	2	2	1	1000	1	1200	4 50	30 00	.....	$15 45	3 55	2	30	289	450
Grand Ledge	245	4	43	3	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	15 25	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....
Maple Rapids	128	1	12	2	6	1	.....	.....	1	500	3 00	5 39	.....	.....	.....	5	52	240	600
St. Johns	170	4	10	4	4	1	1	1600	1	250	5 50	17 00	.....	.....	2 00	3	29	125	240
Matherton	220	3	25	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1000	3 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	6	85	250	833
Dewitt	257	4	10	5	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 53	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	32	65	300
Portland	200	3	25	6	15	1	2	1800	1	1000	8 00	11 00	.....	12 00	.....	5	42	200	500
Charlotte	140	3	2	2	.....	.....	1	3000	1	800	3 00	6 36	.....	.....	.....	3	30	132	600
Vermontville	137	3	47	1	2	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 93	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....
Okemos	105	2	12	2	3	.....	.....	.....	1	400	.....	6 50	.....	.....	.....	2	12	50	120
Gratiot	79	.....	30	2	6	2	.....	.....	1	250	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	3	23	60	233
Onondaga	103	4	23	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	5	43	186	300
Eaton Rapids	102	2	11	2	.....	.....	1	2000	.....	.....	.....	14 00	.....	10 00	.....	2	16	96	140
Mason	132	2	15	2	.....	.....	1	1600	1	175	5 70	13 00	.....	.....	50	2	21	58	278
Isabella Indian Mission	247	6	15	4	10	36	.....	.....	1	100	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	2	6	36	50
Saginaw Indian Mission	65	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....
Chrystal Lake	45	1	14	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 97	2 88	.....	.....	.....	2	16	40	124
Chippewa	87	2	15	2	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 65	21 00	.....	.....	.....	2	15	25	101
Pesahgening Indian Mission	65	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	.....
Total	2709	48	334	48	79	53	7	10900	11	5675	44 85	206 31	.....	37 45	6 05	52	452	1852	4869

GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.																			
Traverse City	3	.....	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1	12	10	200
Northport	40	.....	4	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	10	30	400
Elk Rapids	40	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	3	10	30	400
Manistee	6	1	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	1	400	5 00	13 00	.....	.....	.....	2	12	32	100
Pentwater	10	1	13	.....	8	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	4 11	.....	.....	.....	2	9	60	400
White River	42	1	6	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	1	200	.....	3 29	.....	.....	.....	2	12	39	167
Oceana Indian Mission	180	3	7	1	5	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	24	109	675
Pine River	110	3	.....	.....	17	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	3	40	80
Roseville	15	.....	7	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 35	2 42	.....	.....	.....	4	8	40	112
Total	455	9	53	2	40	68	.....	.....	2	600	8 35	24 82	.....	.....	2 50	20	90	360	2134

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Soc'y	For Bible Soc'y	For Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library
Marshall	2625	34	313	34	159	25	18	$56000	14	13250	1 26 48	$749 00	.....	$50 25	11 91	51	441	2099	6214
Coldwater	2754	39	401	34	138	14	23	27100	13	7850	101 45	663 07	12 18	35 94	48 75	58	551	2535	8577
Kalamazoo	1677	15	175	18	75	24	8	16000	7	4900	107 36	365 33	8 08	72 28	28 99	46	374	1747	5414
Niles	1702	25	182	21	90	29	18	32750	10	5800	97 95	344 37	11 00	46 86	44 12	41	349	1693	5187
Grand Rapids	2300	34	334	30	65	22	11	29600	10	8350	70 22	446 46	32 00	21 05	6 50	66	506	2686	7138
Lansing	2709	48	334	48	79	53	7	10900	11	5675	48 85	206 31	.....	37 45	6 05	52	452	1852	4869
Grand Traverse	455	9	53	2	40	68	.....	.....	2	600	8 35	24 82	.....	.....	2 50	20	90	360	2134
Grand Total	14222	204	1792	187	646	235	85	172350	67	46425	560 66	2799 36	63 26	263 83	148 82	334	2863	12972	39533

Missionary Cause.

Officers of Missionary Society.

President—D. BURNS. *Vice President*—W. W. JOHNSON.
Secretary—J. W. ROBINSON. *Treasurer*—L. M. EDMONDS.

MANAGERS:

J. JENNINGS, W. C. COMFORT, J. S. HARDER.

To preach the Annual Sermon, NOAH FASSETT.

Treasurer's Report.

The MICHIGAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE,
In Account with E. H. DAY, *Treasurer.*

CR. by amount received.

Marshall District.

Marshall, by J. Boynton	$ 64 00
Albion, by I. Cogshall, $52 of which was from Albion College	94 67
Parma, by A. Billings	52 50
Springport, by S. Fassett	2 00
Jackson, by N. Abbott	5 33
Homer, by T. Lyon	133 75
Concord, by I. N. Tomes	68 35
Marengo, by A. Coplin	12 00
Partello, by O. F. Chase	4 00
Burlington, by S. A. Osborne	46 50
Leroy, by T. H. Bignell	124 00
Battle Creek, by R. Sapp	26 20
Bellevue, by T. B. Granger	1 25
Union City, by E. C. Chambers	44 40
Bedford, by J. Hoyt	23 00
Assyria, by C. H. Fisher	15 00
Leonidas, by H. A. Patterson	16 61
Moscow, by W. M. Coplin	18 88
Total from Marshall District	$752 44

Coldwater District.

Coldwater, by A. L. Crittenden	$ 66 80
Girard, by T. J. Hill	33 60
Centerville, by J. E. McAllister, of which amount $16 was for China Missions by Wm. Hazzard and wife	185 51

Three Rivers, by D. Burns	78 00
Constantine, by N. L. Brockway	70 00
Quincy, by Wm. Doust	8 50
California, by A. C. Hazzard	24 00
Jonesville, by I. Taylor	10 00
Hillsdale, by W. C. Comfort, of which $1.53 was from Sunday School	7 69
Osseo, by A. W. Torry	30 00
Mottville, by J. Clubine	5 00
White Pigeon, by W. W. Johnson	30 66
Sturgis	
Burr Oak, by G. D. Lee	14 00
Reading, by N. Fassett	21 32
Cambria, by E. Wilkinson	9 62
Litchfield, by H. Penfield	49 00
Allen, by C. F. Van Antwerp	
North Adams, by T. J. Congdon	18 35
Total from Coldwater District	$677 06

Kalamazoo District.

Kalamazoo, by J. Jennings	$112 00
Oshtemo, by A. A. Dunton	11 25
Schoolcraft, by E. L. Kellogg	38 25
Paw Paw, by H. Morgan	27 30
Cooper, by A. Billings	24 00
Galesburgh, by V. G. Boynton	35 68
West Climax, by R. D. Macarthy	10 00
Richland, by J. I. Buell	26 35
Prairieville, by A. Gore	7 26
Otsego, by F. Gage	17 81
Allegan, by D. R. Latham	5 10
Wayland, by N. Cleveland	6 00
Waverly, by C. W. Tuthill	3 00
Ganges, by W. H. C. Bliss	5 58
Lawton, T. T. George	36 00
Total from Kalamazoo District	$365 58

Niles District.

Niles, by H. Law	$101 00
Buchanan, by L. M. Edmonds	43 85
Dowagiac, by H. Worthington	5 00
Cassapolis, by G. W. Hoag	14 00
Edwardsburgh, by I. Bennett	90 00
Summerville, by J. S. Harder	28 90
Berrien, by L. M. Bennett	17 85
St. Joseph, by R. Pengelly	3 08
New Buffalo, by G. A. Van Horn	6 00
Coloma, by H. Caldwell	21 00
Lawrence, by E. L. Kellogg	11 00
Decatur	
Total from Niles District	$341 68

Grand Rapids District.

Grand Rapids East, by M. A. Daugherty	$142 00
Grand Rapids West, by J. T. Robe	20 00
Kelloggville, by A. Beach	43 15
Sparta, by M. I. Smith	14 00
Holland, by A. J. Van Wyck	15 00
Lamont, by H. H. Bement	10 51
Flat River, by J. W. Cawthorne	49 60
Saranac, by H. Hall	100 00
Ionia, by R. C. Crawford	32 00
Muskegon, by L. W. Earle	
Muskegon Rapids	
Croton	
Newaygo, by J. N. Dayton	2 65
Laphamville, by Wm. McKnight	10 00
Greenville, by W. F. Jenkins	19 00
Middleville, by A. Wakefield	5 00
Hastings, by F. Glass	9 00
Woodland, by E. Marble	20 00
Total from Grand Rapids District	$491 91

Lansing District.

Lansing, by D. D. Gillett	$ 29 00
Grand Ledge, by J. Braggins	15 25
Maple Rapids, by T. Clark	5 40
St. Johns, by J. Fowler	17 00
Matherton, by J. A. Sprague	15 00
Crystal Lake, by L. M. Garlick	2 88
De Witt, by W. Stafford	
Portland, by N. L. Otis	11 00
Charlotte, by N. Mount	6 36
Vermontville, by M. Carpenter	24 53
Okemos, by C. Chick	6 50
Gratiot, by I. Finch	2 00
Onondaga, by G. W. Sherman	8 00
Eaton Rapids, by D. Thomas	14 00
Mason, by H. P. Barker	13 00
Isabella Indian Mission, by E. D. Young	15 00
Saginaw	
Total from Lansing District	$ 184 92

Grand Traverse District.

Grand Traverse City, by J. W. Robinson	$ 2 00
Northport, by E. Beard	
Elk Rapids, by J. W. Wilson	
Frankfort	
Manistee, by N. M. Steele	13 00
Pentwater, by H. M. Joy	4 11
White River, by G. W. Chapin	3 30
Oceana Indian Mission, by L. J. Griffin	
Pine River, by Peter Greensky	
Roseville	2 42
Total from Grand Traverse District	$ 24 83

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

Marshall	$ 752 44
Coldwater	677 06
Kalamazoo	365 58
Niles	341 68
Grand Rapids	491 91
Lansing	184 92
Grand Traverse	24 83
Note for collection with J. Clubine	40 00
Conference collection	27 62
Total	$2,907 04

CONTRA.

By Carlton's receipt	$2,415 21
Forwarded	296 24
Paid Isabella Indian Mission Committee, as per receipt	28 09
For publishing Minutes	25 00
Note for Collection	40 00
Draft forwarded to Carlton	102 50
Total	$2,907 04

E. H. DAY, *Treasurer.*

Life Members of Parent Society.

Rev. E. Hunt.
W. M. Knickerbocker.
Jacob Anderson.
Geo. Robertson.
Sarah Baily.
Angeline Wilcox.
Hattie Wood.
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Names of Contributors of Three Rivers Charge—C. C. Armitage, $5.00. $3.00 each—D. Burns, M. A. Kroah. $2.00 each—Z. B. Ruggles, L. Ruggles, J. Cox. $1.00 each—G. Hardy, F. Hardy, W. A. Wilson, E. J. Robinson, J. Cowling, J. Arny, C. R. Huffman, N. Crinling, J. Erway, T. M. Clark, S. Wood, M. Smith, J. Hele, R. M. Dodge, J. Brownell, J. H. Slenker, L. G. Brown, R. S. Griffith, C. Huffman, S. Millard, A. Warren, J. Fisher, E. Armitage, A. H. Kester, R. Daugherty, C. Carpenter, S. D. Angevine, B. Perrin, O. Stiner. Seventy-five cents—M. Wilhelm. Fifty cents each—A. S. Hutchinson, E. Millard, M. Millard, J. Millard, M. A. Smith, S. E. Westlake, E. Bacon, E. Brown, M. Parker, A. R. King, C. Hinebaugh, A. Slenker, J. Ready, W. Millard, S. Spencer, M. Van Morestrand, E. Warren, S. Seilsig, M. King, E. Horner, S. Perrin, A. Hinebaugh, M. Kistin, A. Perrin. $8.25 in small amounts.

Names of Collectors and Amounts on Centerville Charge—Centreville, public collection, $5.17; Huldah Hazzard, $37.56; Nettie Weld, $36.50; M. H. Matthews, $30.59; Nottoway, public collection, $3.65; Jane Huntley, $13.72; P. Harmon, $7.68; Burr Oak, public collection, $3.17; E. Root, $26.50; Sherman, Helen Foote, $12.05; Colon, public collection, $0.78; M. Schermerhorn, $8.14.

Report of the Mission Auditing Committee for the Year 1860--61.

APPROPRIATIONS AND RECEIPTS.

COLDWATER DISTRICT—T. H. Jacokes, P. E.	
Appropriation	$ 75 00
Paid as per voucher	75 00
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT—F. B. Bangs, P. E.	
Appropriation	$ 50 00
Paid as per voucher	50 00
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT—M. B. Camburn, P. E.	
Appropriation	$215 00
Paid as per voucher	215 00
LANSING DISTRICT—Geo. Bradley, P. E.	
Appropriation	$395 00
Paid as per voucher	395 00
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT—S. Steele, P. E.	
Appropriation	$765 00
Paid as per voucher	765 00
ISABELLA INDIAN MISSION—G. Bradley, P. E.	
Appropriation	$800 00
Paid as per voucher	800 00
SAGINAW BAY MISSION—G. Bradley, P. E.	
Appropriation	$350 00
Paid as per voucher	185 00
Balance in hands of G. Bradley*	165 00

* Since paid to Miss. Treasurer.

OCEANA INDIAN MISSION—S. Steele, P. E.

Appropriation	$600 00
Paid as per voucher	600 00

PINE RIVER INDIAN MISSION—S. Steele, P. E.

Appropriation	$250 00
Paid as per voucher	250 00

REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT WITH REV. GEO. BRADLEY.

George Bradley, Dr.

To	$368 33

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By	95 97
Balance in hands of G. Bradley	273 36

J. JENNINGS,
M. A. DAUGHERTY,
H. MORGAN,
Committee.

Report of the Committee on Missions.

Appropriated to Domestic Missions for the year 1861-62:

GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT	$ 45 00
Muskegon	75 00
Newaygo	30 00
LANSING DISTRICT.	
Okemos	$ 20 00
Chippewa	20 00
Gratiot	40 00
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT	$350 00
Traverse City	100 00
Northport	100 00
Elk Rapids	50 00
Manistee	50 00
Total to Domestic Missions	$880 00

Appropriated to Indian Missions:

Isabella and Saginaw Bay—and the farm	$600 00
To Presiding Elder of Lansing District	100 00
Oceana	300 00
Pine River	200 00
To Presiding Elder of Grand Traverse District	100 00
Total to Indian Mission	$1,300 00

Tract Cause.

Report of Treasurer of Tract Society.

ISAAC BENNETT, *Treasurer of Tract Society,* *Dr.*

To cash received from Constantine by N. L. Brockway	$ 50		
" " " California by A. C. Hazzard	1 00		
" " " Hillsdale by W. C. Comfort	68		
" " " Centerville by J. E. McAllister	10 00		
" " " Kalamazoo by J. Jennings	5 50		
" " " Paw Paw by H. Morgan	2 58		
" " " Berrien by L. M. Bennett	10 00		
" " " Cassapolis by E. W. Hoag	1 00		
" " " Sparta by M. I. Smith	2 00		
" " " H. Law	5 00	—	$38 26

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By cash paid Carlton & Porter, as per voucher	10 58		
By cash remitted to Chicago	22 68		
Balance in hand	5 00	—	$38 26

Report of Committee on Tract Cause.

One of the most potent agencies, for good or evil, is the press. The diffusion of knowledge by this means has become a necessity. And the avidity with which the masses devour the teeming productions of the press has stimulated the cupidity of many, who wield this power, to cater to the vicious taste of the multitude, in giving publicity to trashy and unsubstantial literature, much of which is enervating to mind and morals, and proves a curse, instead of a blessing, to community. To counteract the tendencies of the age in this direction, the Church of Christ owes it to herself, as well as to God to provide for the wants of the thousands who have a right to look to her for intellectual and spiritual aliment, and in no way can she come more fully into contact with the heart of the masses than in the publication of books, papers and tracts, which, while they are afforded at a mere nominal price, are compendious and convenient for the widest distribution. Never was there a louder call than the present for the diffusion of just such publications. This call comes from our citizen soldiers, who have laid their all on their country's

altar. They want tracts and papers, such as the "*Good News*," and portable but instructive books. In no way can we better respond to such a call than by a generous support of the tract cause.

Your committee find a debt against the Tract Society of the Conference in favor of the Parent Society of one hundred and fifty-eight dollars and four cents. It is due to the Society and the Conference that some steps be taken to remove that debt immediately. Dr. Porter agrees, in behalf of the Tract Society, that if one hundred dollars be paid in by the 1st of next January, the debt shall be canceled. Your committee therefore recommend that so much as is now in the hands of the Treasurer of the Conference Tract Society be paid to Dr. Porter on this account, and that the balance be apportioned by the Presiding Elders among their respective districts, to be raised by collections and forwarded to the Treasurer of the Parent Society at the earliest practicable moment.

In view of the pressing claims of the Society, we propose for the action of the Conference the following resolutions:

Resolved, That so worthy a cause as this should live in the heart and receive the most liberal patronage of the church.

Resolved, That, as pastors, we will, early in the ensuing year, present the cause to the people of our respective charges, and call on them for contributions.

Sunday School Cause.

Officers of Sunday School Society.

President—ELIJAH CRANE. *Vice President*—W. C. COMFORT.
Secretary—L. M. BENNETT. *Treasurer*—THO'S LYON.

DIRECTORS:

J. BOYNTON, F. B. BANGS, H. LAW, N. FASSETT, J. JENNINGS.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

The Committee on Sunday Schools respectfully submit the following report:

In 1781, Robert Raikes, at the suggestion of a Methodist young woman, established a Sunday School in Gloucester, and those philan-

thropic people led a company of neglected children to church, amidst the comments and laughter of the populace at their ragged procession. Having proved the practicability of the undertaking, in 1784 he published his plan, which was immediately re-published by Mr. Wesley, with an exhortation to his people to adopt the new institution. They took his advice, and, says Dr. H. Stevens, "labouring, hard-working men and women began to teach their neighbours' children, and go with them to the house of God on the Lord's day."

In 1786, the first Sunday School in the New World was established by Francis Asbury, the pioneer Bishop of American Methodism. From these small beginnings, in four-fifths of a century, this plant of Providence has become "a great tree," and probably ten millions of children now rejoice "under the shadow of it," and over eight hundred thousand of them are in schools under the care of our own church.

The Sunday School is adapted, on philosophical principles, to perform an important part in the conversion of the world. It affords elevating and profitable employment to the laity of the church; it seeks the salvation of the individual at the most susceptible and hopeful period of probation, and to christianize society according to the divine method, "from the least to the greatest," converting the children and then using them as instruments in the conversion of their parents and others. While, in common with other christians, we praise God for this gracious instrumentality, as Methodists, we have especial cause of thanksgiving that this institution has attained such an excellent position in our own church. There are now employed among us 150,000 lay laborers as officers and teachers; about 2,500,000 volumes are in our circulating libraries, and from 15,000 to 20,000 conversions are reported annually in connection with this cause.

Our list of Sunday School books is the most extensive of any in the world; they are cheaper in price, and equal, if not superior, in quality, to any other, and we advise our people to exhaust our own catalogue before going elsewhere.

The *Sunday School Advocate* has a circulation of over 225,000 copies, and is worthy of still wider circulation.

The *Sunday School Teachers' Journal* meets a want long felt by teachers and heads of families, and should at least be read by all the Sunday School teachers in the land.

Forty-seven new books have been published the past year, and the new "Picture Papers" will cause great joy to the one hundred thousand children in our infant classes.

With so much to encourage, it is humiliating to state that this Conference is still a beneficiary of the Sunday School Union to the amount of more than $3,000 above what it has paid into its treasury. This is wrong. Sunday Schools in Michigan should at least be self-sustaining. In view of the above facts,

Resolved, That, as an act of justice to the Sunday School Union, we will exert ourselves to return to its treasury — both principal and interest — what we have received from it, as soon as practicable.

Resolved, That, in view of the great usefulness of Sunday Schools as a means of religious instruction, we will renew our efforts to make them as numerous and efficient as possible.

Resolved, That the conversion of souls, and their upbuilding in holiness, is the *great end* of Sunday School instruction, and we earnestly exhort all our people to *labor, pray*, and *confidently expect* that their children will be brought to Christ without passing a long servitude in the kingdom of Satan.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Report of the Committee on the Bible Cause.

Regarding with undiminished interest the perpetuity and success of the American Bible Society, we rejoice that even amidst the civil and financial embarrassments of our country, the contributions to this department of benevolent and christian enterprise have been greater than many of its warmest friends had anticipated under the circumstances.

We respectfully submit for the consideration of the Conference the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we have an unwavering confidence in the adaptation of the American Bible Society, to accelerate the evangelization of the world.

Resolved, That we will cheerfully co-operate with the agent in securing contributions from our several charges.

Report of the Committee on Temperance.

Your committee on temperance beg leave to present their report in the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we regard the temperance reformation as still progressing, in which we most heartily rejoice.

Resolved, That legal prohibition is a necessity of the permanence of this reform; and while our civil officers are exerting the just arm of legal restraint, we will cheerfully co-operate with them in our proper field of moral suasion.

Resolved, That we fully approbate the efforts of the national government to prevent drunkenness in the American army, and wish that these efforts may extend until the American Eagle shall symbolize our nation's freedom from the ruinous presence of king alcohol.

Report of the Committee on Parsonages.

The prosperity of the itinerant work depends to a great extent upon the provision made for the comfort of the preachers' families. In their frequent removals and changes they are subjected to inconveniences and privations enough, without being under the necessity of occupying dilapidated and inconvenient houses, often in sickly localities. To obviate the evils to which the preachers' families are often subjected for want of suitable houses, every district and every pastoral charge should have at least a good parsonage; and the societies owe it to themselves to provide for their preachers such houses as they would be willing to occupy themselves, such as are suitable to the position of the minister in the community. We have within the bounds of the Conference 118 charges, including seven presiding elder's districts. The number of parsonages is 67, valued at $46,425. While, therefore, we have reason to rejoice that in many charges the brethren have done nobly and deserve all praise, much remains yet to be done.

Your committee recommend for your adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That as ministers we will, with increased diligence, strive to enlist the energies of our people in the noble work of supplying all the charges among us with suitable parsonages.

Report of the Committee on Church Extension.

Your committee to whom is referred the subject of church extension, does not presume to offer anything in relation to the importance of good church buildings, adapted to the wants of our churches and congregations. It has long been the custom in the prosecution of our work for the pastor on our circuits and stations to devote much of his time and absorb a great proportion of his energy in attending to the financial operations of his work — a work which might be performed by the layman with the greatest advantage to him, and with better results to the cause of our beloved Methodism. Could this work be transferred to the officiary of the church, it would cause the membership to feel more especially their responsibilities, and thus develop more fully the character of benevolence in our people. The latter course would also afford the pastor more time to devote to preparations for his sacred calling, and free him from a pressure of financial responsibilities, and save him from many imputations too often cast upon him.

It is, without doubt, the appropriate work of the christian minister to create a public sentiment in favor of the erection of church edifices, coming within the means of the membership and congregation. But where such ability does not exist in the midst of a congregation, how futile and how detrimental to our cause to erect a magnificent structure, depending on it to give us position and prominence in community, and that, too, with an indebtedness which drives the minister from his work, to beg for its liquidation to save our common cause from reproach. While it is the opinion of your committee that in every place where we have a congregation with financial ability, we should erect not only a commodious, but elegant church edifice, yet we think our cause has been brought into disrepute from

persistent and determined efforts on the part of some pastors to build a church out of nothing, in a place, too, where we have not a people. As a general thing a church edifice must be local; hence the difficulty in appealing to the Methodist public for aid in liquidating an indebtedness Therefore we recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the members of this Conference be advised not to go among our societies abroad for assistance in building churches, without the authority of the Conference.

Resolved, That for any member of this Conference, without the authority of the Conference, to enter upon the erection of a church for any charge more expensive than it has the prospect of completing without incurring debt, or obtaining help from abroad, shall be considered a misdemeanor akin to that of maladministration of discipline.

Resolved, That in view of the importance and financial embarrassment of the Lansing and Muskegon churches, it is our duty to continue to them our sympathy and aid, either by assisting an agent or agents, if appointed by the Conference, or otherwise obtaining all we can upon our several charges for their relief.

Education.

Report of the Trustees of Albion College for the Collegiate Year 1860--61.

To the Bishop and Members of the Michigan Annual Conference of the M. E. Church:

Dear Father and Brethren:

This institution of learning, which has so long been cherished by you, has been favored, the past year, with unusual prosperity. Four hundred students have been in attendance, of which number one hundred and sixty-four were gentlemen, and two hundred and thirty-six were ladies, an advance over the number of last year of fifty-nine. Nine young ladies completed the course of study prescribed, and received the degree of Mistress of Science and the Arts.

The proposition to enlarge the powers of the institution and increase its endowment having been submitted to the patronizing Conferences, and approved by them at their late sessions, application was made to the last Legislature of the State for a charter amendment, by which full college powers were obtained. A copy of the

amended charter is herewith submitted. This charter was formally accepted by the Board of Trustees at their regular meeting, March 19, 1861. A form of contract was adopted by the Board, according to which subscriptions should be solicited for the increase of the endowment fund. Owing to the distracted state of the country, and the financial embarrassments consequent upon the "great rebellion," no effort has yet been made to secure subscriptions. A rigid economy has, however, been adopted, by which the current expenses of the coming year will be reduced seven hundred dollars. This was effected by leaving one vacancy in the Board of Instruction, and by reducing the salaries of the remaining teachers and of the financial agent. With this reduction, no serious difficulty is apprehended in meeting the current expenses of the coming year.

The policy of attempting to raise an endowment fund under the present condition of the country, is respectfully referred to your consideration.

The financial condition of the institution differs so slightly from that of last year, as also the collections and disbursements, that it is thought unnecessary to present another detailed account in the present report.

Four vacancies occur in the Board of Trustees, by expiration of terms of office, two of which are to be filled by your Conference.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

In behalf of the Board of Trustees.

T. H. SINEX,
WM. FARLEY,
GEORGE SMITH,
Committee.

Report of the Committee on Albion College.

Your committee, to whom was referred the papers relating to Albion College, beg leave to say: We have examined the subjects therein named, and are happy to learn that this, our long-cherished institution, is still enjoying a high degree of prosperity. Since our last session the full powers of a college have been procured by an amendment to the charter. The financial condition of the institution is such as to ensure its success during the present crisis, but precludes the increase of the endowment fund at present; it is hoped, however, that, ere long, this may be done.

We submit for your adoption the following, viz.:

Resolved, That we are highly gratified with the present prosperous condition of the institution, and renew our oft-repeated pledges for its support and patronage.

Resolved, That we heartily approve the proposition to enlarge the endowment fund to one hundred thousand dollars, and will cordially co-operate with the trustees in this important work whenever they shall engage in it.

Your committee beg leave to nominate S. W. Walker, Esq., and H. Penfield, as Trustees.

We also respectfully request the Bishop to appoint T. H. Sinex, President, and C. C. Olds, Professor in the Albion College.

Report of the Committee on the State of the Country.

To the Bishop and Members of the Michigan Annual Conference:

Your Committee on the State of the Country report as follows:

In the order of Divine Providence a great nation has been planted on this continent, embodying in a glorious national life, the grand ideas of the freedom and sovereignty of man. Our institutions are a heritage, sacred and precious, derived from venerable men, trained in the school of Providence, inspired of God to frame them, founded with much prayer, embodying the spirit of our protestant christianity, and sheltered by a flag that floats in the name of our God; they represent all that is dear and holy to us in our civil and religious relations.

Our free institutions are also the light of the nations and the hope of the world. Our mission under God is to proclaim liberty and maintain the christian, the divine ideal of manhood, till, by our influence, it becomes the universal condition of our race. The forces by which this sublime work is to be accomplished, are symbolized by the flag of our fathers, which proclaims to every breeze and every land our motto: "*God and Liberty.*" Raised up for a purpose so grand, Providence has given us an appropriate theatre, a continent in which to expand, and over which to spread our institutions; yet precluding, by its physical structure, the possibility of more than one

nationality. On this soil, by the fiat of heaven, there can be but one class of institutions, over it wave but one flag — the flag of the free. Events are fulfilling this decree.

Unfortunately an element of discord has been tolerated among us: American slavery is at war with our free christian institutions. It can no more live in peace with them, than Satan can dwell quietly in heaven. Between slavery and the spirit of liberty and christianity, there has always been a conflict, and there always must be till one or the other is destroyed. Pulpits, presses, and statesmen, representing the national conscience and spirit of liberty, aroused by the avarice, intolerance, and thirst for tyranical power, evinced by this wicked system, alarmed at the corruption and the infidelity it engenders, and at its haughty threats to overthrow our government, have waged a moral warfare against it, and triumphed over it. Defeated in this moral strife, true to its barbarous instincts, it flies to arms and bathes itself in the blood of the men whose logic it cannot resist, and by treason, robbery, and war, seeks to overthrow a government it can no longer control, and to destroy institutions before which it must wither. This is the real cause of the rebellion; it is the evil, turbulent spirit of slavery armed for a death struggle.

Fortunately for the nation, the war is waged on our part in defense of our government and the integrity of our Union. The foes of our country are the friends of slavery. To give life to this vile system, they must first overturn this free government, and steal a part of this soil, solemnly consecrated to free institutions and free men. This is what they purpose. Hence, while we strike for our country, God in his providence has so ruled that we strike at this foe to our peace and perpetuity, and that we must die at its traitorous behest, or strike on till it lies dead on the field, for life for our Union implies death to the cause of this rebellion.

God has a great mission for this great nation in the world. Freedom and a protestant christian civilization are behind our breastworks, and hence "the battle is not ours, but God's," and his right arm will bring us the victory.

For these considerations loyal Americans are amazed at the enormous wickedness of this rebellion, are aroused by its more than diabolical designs, by the sublimity of this contest and its awful importance to us and the world. Hence it is that parties sink out of sight to all but traitorous eyes, that proposals of compromise or peace with traitors offend all loyal lips, that bitter foemen clasp hands

as brethren around our national ark, and twenty millions of free men, sacrificing prejudice, cherished opinions, and all personal considerations upon the altar of their country, pledge fortune, life, and sacred honor in her defense. While the guns of the revolution again boom, and the sacrifices of our fathers may be before us, it is inspiring to see that the lofty patriotism, the noble self-denial, and the heroic devotion of the founders of our government still live among those who must be its defenders.

We are assured of the justice of our cause and the aid of the God of our fathers. We exhort to penitence and prayer, we counsel sacrifice and struggle, till our flag again waves from every mast, in every breeze, over every foot of our soil; till the serpent that now holds in his slimy coils one-third of the stars of our Union is bruised, and hurled, with his father and co-traitor, into the bottomless pit.

We submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That our beloved country, in her struggle with traitors, has our hearts and our prayers; that as ministers of a church that numbers loyalty to our government among its articles of religion, we pledge our all for its support.

Resolved, That we view with pleasure the noble spirit so universally prevalent, that tramples on all mere partisan consideration, and rallies the nation upon one common platform—the defense of the institutions bequeathed us by our fathers.

Resolved, That we regard slavery as the cause and soul of this rebellion, and the sworn foe of our institutions; that we cannot divide this heritage of freemen, to give it an empire, without treason to our country, our God, and our race, and so long as it lifts against this nation a traitorous blade, we can offer nothing but war, and we hope and pray that this struggle may end in its utter destruction, and that at its close our flag may wave over one people, a land undivided and indivisible, and consecrated forever to freedom.

Resolved, That we approve the proclamation of Gen. Fremont, believing its policy pleasing to God, demanded by christian nations, and the spirit of our free institutions, and the shortest way to peace and security.

Resolved, That our brethren in arms claim and shall have our love, our support, and our prayer; that while they stand in the presence of death, to defend all that is dear and sacred to us, we will do all we can to bless them while living, and honor them should they fall.

Resolved, That we firmly believe in the justice of our cause; that it has the favor of Almighty God, who, though he punishes us justly for our sins, and purges us with fire, will not suffer our defeat, nor permit the wicked scheme of our enemies to prosper.

Resolved, That as the present struggle represents the christianity, as well as the patriotism of the land, we rejoice in the measures taken by the authorities to suppress the vice of intemperance and procure the observance

of the Sabbath among our soldiers and sailors, and to bring them under religious instruction.

Resolved, That we have increasing confidence in the wisdom, ability, and integrity of the editor of our *North-Western Christian Advocate*, and most heartily indorse his position upon the national struggle as manly, christian, and loyal.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Resolutions.

Resolved, That Thomas H. Sinex, Myron A. Daugherty, and Joseph Jennings, be a committee to publish the minutes of the next Annual Conference.

Resolved, That the month of May, 1862, be the time for taking the vote on Lay Delegation, and that the preachers in charge be required to report the number of all male members, in their respective charges, over twenty-one years of age.

Rules of Michigan Conference.

1. The Conference shall meet at 8 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12 M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjournment at their discretion.

2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the hour to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journal of the preceding day read and approved.

3. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference, but, in case of an appeal, the question shall be taken without debate.

4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.

5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing if the President, Secretary, or any other member request it.

6. When a motion, resolution, or report presented, is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed as in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before decision or amendment.

7. No new motion or resolution shall be made until the one under consideration is disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz.: Indefinite postponement; laying on the table; reference to a committee; postponement to any given time, amendment, or substitute.

8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities, or disrespectful language, but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, or any other member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

9. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the affirmative to move a reconsideration.

12. No member shall absent himself from the services of Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar at the time when such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.

14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.

15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.

16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of Conference, and, when approved, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference, and preserve them with care; suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference except with the consent of the Conference, and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.

17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.

18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of the Conference until he has first given him information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defense.

19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objections are to be made, to the President of the Conference, who shall pass the name by, to be investigated in secret session, at such time as the Conference may direct.

20. All persons while passing the Disciplinary course of study who shall be reported below medium, shall be required to pass another examination on the studies so reported; and the Chairman of Examining Committees shall give notice to the Conference Secretary, and to the deficient party.

Alphabetical List

Of the Members of the Conference, with their Post Office Address.

NAMES.	P. O. ADDRESS.
Abbott, J. C.	Galesburg
Bangs, F. B.	Kalamazoo
Barker, H. P.	Mason
Bennett, I.	Paw Paw
Bennett, L. M.	Lawrence
Beach, A.	Kelloggville
Bignell, T. H.	Leroy
Billings, A.	Galesburg
Boynton, J.	Marshall
Bradley, G.	Isabella City
Brockway, N. L.	Constantine
Brockway, W. H.	Albion
Buell, J. I.	Decatur
Burns, D.	Three Rivers
Beard, E.	New Buffalo
Bement, H. H.	Otisco
Camburn, M. B.	Edwardsburg
Cawthorn, J. W.	Woodland
Chambers, E. C.	Bedford
Chapin, G. W.	Concord
Clark, Thos.	Matherton
Clubine, J.	Mottville
Comfort, W. C.	Hillsdale
Cogshall, I.	Coldwater
Congdon, T. J.	White Pigeon
Coplin, A.	Leonidas
Coplin, W. M.	Moscow
Crane, E.	Litchfield
Crawford, R. C.	Ionia
Crittenden, A. L.	Osseo
Caldwell, H.	Parma
Child, J. L.	Greenville
Cleveland, N.	Berrien
Day, E. H.	Richland
Doust, Wm.	North Adams
Dunton, A. A.	Oshtemo
Dayton, J. N.	Hastings
Earl, L. W.	Muskegon
Edmonds, L. M.	Buchanan
Eldred, A. J.	Niles
Fassett, N.	Dowagiac
Fisk, L. R.	Lansing
Fowler, J.	St. Johns
George, T. T.	Lawton
Gillett, D. D.	Lansing
Glass, F.	Hastings
Gore, A.	West Climax
Granger, T. B.	Bellevue
Griffin, L. J.	White River
Graham, A. Y.	Allegan
Hall, H.	Lyons
Harder, J. S.	Coloma
Hazzard, A. C.	Reading
Hemenway, F. D.	Kalamazoo
Hill, T. J.	Cambria
Hoag, G. W.	Cassapolis
Holdstock, E.	Battle Creek
Hoyt, J.	Kalamo Centre
Haviland, D. S.	Kelloggville
Jennings, J.	Battle Creek
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Johnson, W. W.	Quincy
Jacokes, T. H.	Coldwater
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Kellogg, Edward L.	Schoolcraft
Law, Hiram	Niles

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Lee, G. D.	Girard
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McCarthy, R. D.	Union City
McKnight, W.	Laphamville
Morgan, H.	Grand Rapids
Mount, N.	Grand Ledge
Marble, E.	Sparta
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Olds, C. C.	Albion
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Pitezel, J. H.	Albion
Pratt, J. M.	Flat River
Palmer, G. D.	Elk Rapids
Robe, J. T.	Grand Rapids
Robinson, J. W.	Grand Rapids
Sabin, B.	Homer
Sapp, R.	Albion
Smith, M. I.	Lamont
Sherman, G. W.	Onondaga
Sprague, J. A.	Palo
Sinex, T. H.	Albion
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Steele, N. M.	Jonesville
Taylor, I.	Jonesville
Thomas, D.	Eaton Rapids
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Van Horn, G. A.	Otsego
Van Wyck, A. J.	Lawrence
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Woodward, S. C.	Sturgis
Young, E. D.	Isabella City

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Billing, James	Wayland
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Chick, C. Jr.	Okemos
Colby, W. M.	Lamont
Darling, A. A.	Manistee
Engle, D.	Saranac
Fox, D. O.	Sparta
Fisher, C. H.	Waverly
Garlick, L. N.	Grand Ledge
Greensky, Peter	Isabella City
Jenkins, W. F.	Saranac
Jones, Joseph	Charlotte
Miller, J. W.	Northport
Messmore, J. H.	India
Peck, H. C.	———
Rork, Wm. W.	Traverse City
Swift, Wm. J.	Newaygo
Stafford, Wm.	De Witt
Tuthill, G. W.	Prairieville
Van Antwerp, C. T.	Allen
Wilkinson, E.	Moscow

Bishops of the M. E. Church.

NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
Thomas A. Morris	Springfield, O.
Edmund S. Janes	New York
Levi Scott	Wilmington, Del.
Matthew Simpson	Evanston, Ill.
Osmond C. Baker	Concord, N. H.
Edward R. Ames,	Indianapolis, Ind.

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The Twenty-seventh Annual Session of the Michigan Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was held in the city of Grand Rapids, commencing Wednesday, October 1, 1862, Bishop Levi Scott, presiding.

The session was opened with reading the Scriptures, singing, and prayer by the Bishop.

The roll of the Conference was called by the Secretary of the last session of the Conference, and seventy-one members responded to their names.

The Conference was then organized by the election of Thos. H. Sinex, Secretary, and J. W. Robinson and A. A. Dunton, Assistants.

The appointments were announced on Monday, October 6, at about half past 11 o'clock A. M.

Standing Committees.

On Public Worship—H. Morgan, D. R. Latham, J. W. Robinson.

Stewards—J. Boynton, W. W. Johnson, E. H. Day, E. D. Young, Geo. W. Hoag.

Mission Auditing Committee—M. B. Camburn, T. H. Bignell, N. Fassett.

On Education—J. Jennings, R. C. Crawford, A. Coplin, R. Pengelly, I. Cogshall, L. R. Fisk, L. J. Griffin.

On Temperance—N. L. Brockway, J. H. Pitezel, D. Thomas.

On Bible Cause—I. Taylor, Thomas Lyon, S. C. Woodward, N. Mount, I. Bennett.

On Tract Cause—M. B. Camburn, A. Wakefield, J. N. Dayton.

On Sunday School Cause—H. Hall, A. L. Crittenden, T. B. Granger, A. Gore, L. M. Bennett, E. Marble, H. M. Joy.

On Albion College—I. Cogshall, M. A. Daugherty, A. A. Dunton, M. B. Camburn, R. C. Crawford, E. Westlake, S. Steele.

On Missions—The Presiding Elders.

On Parsonages—M. I. Smith, H. Caldwell, J. I. Buell.

On Post Offices—N. M. Steele.

On the State of the Country—F. D. Hemenway, H. Penfield, R. Sapp, J. S. Harder, J. W. Robinson, D. D. Gillett, W. W. Johnson.

On Memoirs—T. H. Jacokes, R. Pengelly, W. McKnight.

On Lay Representation—D. R. Latham, J. E. McAllister, L. J. Griffin.

To Publish Minutes next Year—T. H. Sinex, M. B. Camburn, R. C. Crawford.

Disciplinary Questions.

Question 1. *Who are admitted on trial?*

Alva L. Hoag, Reuben Kirby, David C. Woodard, Washington I. Blowers, John J. Ulrich, Aaron P. Moors, Byron S. Pratt, Jehial Gulick, Wm. F. Rose, James H. Tanner.

Question 2. *Who remain on trial?*

J. H. Messmore, J. W. Miller, Daniel A. Fox, James Billing, William Stafford, Wm. F. Jenkins, Peter Greensky, Wm. W. Rork, Joseph Jones, Wm. J. Swift, A. Allen Darling, Wm. M. Colby.

QUESTION 3. *Who are admitted into full connection?*

Oscar F. Chase, Charles H. Fisher, Charles T. Van Antwerp, Amos Benson, Henry C. Peck, Edward Wilkinson, David Engle, George W. Tuthill, Charles Chick.

QUESTION 4. *Who are the Deacons?*

Elisha Marble, H. M. Joy, James N. Dayton, George D. Lee, Uri Mason, A. J. Van Wyck, George W. Sherman, Adam Y. Graham, Oscar F. Chase,* Charles H. Fisher,* Amos Benson,* Charles T. Van Antwerp,* Henry C. Peck,* Geo. W. Tuthill,* Charles Chick,* David Engle,* H. H. Bement, D. S. Haviland.

QUESTION 5. *Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?*

Edgar Beard, N. Maffitt Steele, David R. Latham, Hugh Caldwell, Henry P. Barker, Peter Marksman, Lewis R. Fisk.

QUESTION 6. *Who have located this year?*

T. J. Hill, Joseph Jennings, J. A. Sprague, Isaac Abbott, J. M. Pratt.

QUESTION 7. *Who are the superannuated or worn out preachers?*

B. Sabin, H. P. Barker, J. T. Robe, E. Crane, A. C. Beach, J. H. Pitczel, I. Taylor, George Bradley, A. Wakefield, R. Sapp, A. Billings.

QUESTION 8. *Who have been expelled from the connection this year?*

None.

QUESTION 9. *Who have withdrawn from the connection this year?*

R. D. McCarthy.

QUESTION 10. *Are all the preachers blameless in life and conversation?*

The names of all the preachers were called over, and their characters examined.

QUESTION 11. *Who have died this year?*

Newland Cleveland, Samuel A. Osborn, Wm. C. Comfort. (See Memoirs.)

QUESTION 12. *What is the number of church members?*

See Statistics, Table No. 2.

QUESTION 13. *What amounts are necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers?*

Nineteen hundred and fifty dollars.

QUESTION 14. *What has been collected on the foregoing accounts, and how has it been applied?*

From the several charges as fifth collection, -	$531 11
Conference collection, - - - - -	49 39
Chartered fund, - - - - - -	25 00
Total, - - - - - -	$605 50

* Ordained this year.

Distributed as follows:		
To I. Taylor,	$125 00	
To J. T. Robe,	93 00	
To H. P. Barker,	77 50	
To J. H. Pitezel,	63 00	
To Mrs. Bignell,	92 00	
To Mrs. Staples,	46 32	
To Mrs. Brakeman,	46 33	
To Mrs. King,	16 00	
To J. K. Gillett's children,	46 35	
		$605 50
From the Parkhurst fund,		23 85
Distributed as follows:		
To Mrs. Bignell,	$ 8 90	
To Mrs. Staples,	4 45	
To Mrs. Brakeman,	4 45	
To Mrs. King,	1 60	
To J. K. Gillett's children,	4 45	
		$ 23 85

QUESTION 15. *Where are the preachers stationed this year?*

Marshall District.

E. HOLDSTOCK, P. E.

Marshall—D. D. Gillett.
Albion—D. Burns.
Parma—H. Caldwell.
Jackson—M. A. Daugherty.
Homer—W. W. Johnson.
Concord—D. Thomas.
Marengo—V. G. Boynton.
Partello—A. L. Hoag.
Burlington—E. C. Chambers.
Leroy—N. L. Brockway.
Battle Creek—N. Fassett.
Bellevue—G. W. Sherman.
Union City—W. M. Copeland.
Bedford—E. Wilkinson.
Kalamo—To be supplied.
Leonidas—E. L. Kellogg.
Moscow—T. H. Bignall, J. Hoyt.
Ceresco—G. W. Chapin.

T. H. Sinex, President, C. C. Olds, Professor, in Albion College.
W. H. Brockway, Chaplain in the army.
H. A. Pattison, Chaplain in the army.

Coldwater District.

T. H. JACOKES, P. E.

Coldwater—D. R. Latham.
Gerard—J. Clubine.
Centerville—A. L. Crittenden.
Constantine—S. C. Woodward.
White Pigeon and Mottville—T. J. Congdon.
Sturgis—G. D. Lee.
Burr Oak—A. W. Torry.
Reading—A. C. Hazzard.
Quincy—A. Coplin.
Jonesville—N. M. Steele.
Hillsdale—T. Lyon.
Osceo—C. T. Van Antwerp.
Cambria—To be supplied.
Litchfield—H. Law.
Allen—R. Kirby.
North Adams—W. Doust.

I. Cogshall, Chaplain in the army.

Kalamazoo District.

F. B. BANGS, P. E.

Kalamazoo—R. C. Crawford.
Oshtemo—T. T. George.
Schoolcraft—J. Billing.
Paw Paw—R. Pengelly.
Cooper—A. Gore.
Galesburgh—H. M. Joy.
West Climax—To be supplied.
Richland—E. H. Day.
Prairieville—G. W. Tuthill.
Otsego—G. A. Vanhorn.
Allegan—N. L. Otis.
Wayland—W. J. Blowers.
Waverly—C. H. Fisher.
Ganges—J. H. Tanner.
Three Rivers—A. A. Dunton.

Niles District.

H. PENFIELD, P. E.

Niles—To be supplied.
Buchanan—G. W. Hoag.
Dowagiac—To be supplied.
Cassopolis—I. Bennett.
Edwardsburg—L. M. Bennett.
Summersville—L. M. Edmonds.
Hartford—J. I. Buell.
Berrien—E. Beard.
St. Joseph—A. Y. Graham.
New Buffalo—E. L. Kellogg.
Decatur—J. W. Miller.
Lawrence—D. C. Woodard.
Coloma—J. S. Harder.
Lawton—M. B. Camburn.

Grand Rapids District.

H. MORGAN, P. E.

Grand Rapids, East—Wm. Rork.
Grand Rapids, West—J. W. Robinson
Kelloggville—D. S. Haviland.
Sparta—W. McKnight, one to be supplied.
Lamont—D. Engle.
Muskegon—A. P. Moore.
Newaygo—Wm. Rose.
Courtland—W. M. Colby, one to be supplied.
Laphamville—W. J. Swift.
Greenville—J. L. Child.
Flat River—Wm. F. Jenkins, one to be supplied.
Otisco—E. Marble.
Whitneyville—J. N. Dayton.
Palo—B. W. Smith.
Saranac—M. I. Smith.
Ionia—L. W. Earl.
Middleville—A. J. Van Wyck.
Hastings—T. B. Granger.
Woodland—J. W. Cawthorn.

Lansing District.

H. HALL, P. E.

Lansing—J. Boynton.
Grand Ledge—N. Mount.
Maple Rapids—W. Stafford.
St. Johns—D. O. Fox.
Matherton—T. Clark.
Ovid—H. C. Peck.
DeWitt—C. Chick.
Portland—E. Westlake.
Lyons—J. Fowler.
Charlotte—F. Glass.
Vermontville—U. Mason.
Okemos—J. Gulic.
Gratiot—To be supplied.
Chippeway—To be supplied.
Onondaga—G. D. Palmer.
Eaton Rapids—I. N. Tomes.
Mason—O. F. Chase.

Isabella and Saginaw Indian Mission—E. D. Young, one to be supplied.

L. R. Fisk, Professor in Michigan Agricultural College, and member of Lansing Quarterly Conference.

J. Jones, Chaplain in the army.

Manistee District.

S. STEELE, P. E.

Traverse City—J. E. McAllister.
Northport—A. Benson.
Elk Rapids—B. S. Pratt.
Manistee—H. H. Bement.
Pentwater—A. A. Darling, J. J. Ulrich.
White River—L. J. Griffin.
Oceana Indian Mission — Peter Greensky.
Pine River Indian Mission—To be supplied.

J. H. Messmore, Missionary to India.

F. D. Hemenway, transferred to the Rock River Conference, and appointed to Clark street Church, Chicago.

Peter Marksman, transferred to the Detroit Conference, and appointed to Iroquois Point and Sugar Island.

QUESTION 16. *Where and when shall our next Conference be held?*

At Jackson; time not fixed.

Course of Study.

Committees of Examination.

1. *For Candidates for Admission on Trial.*

English Grammar, Modern Geography, True's Logic, Newman's Rhetoric—Presiding Elder, Preacher in charge.

2. *For Conference Membership and for Orders.*

FIRST YEAR.

Bible as to Doctrines, Watson's Institutes, first part, Wesley's Christian Perfection, Fletcher's Appeal, Clark's Mental Discipline, Essay or Sermon —J. E. McAllister, T. Lyon, E. H. Day.

SECOND YEAR.

Bible as to Sacraments, Watson's Institutes, second part, Fletcher's Christian Perfection, Strickland's Manual of Biblical Literature, Methodist Discipline, Mitchell's Ancient Geography, Essay or Sermon—N. Fassett, R. Pengelly, J. W. Robinson.

THIRD YEAR.

Bible History and Chronology, Watson's Institutes, third part, Butler's Analogy, Peck's Rule of Faith, Hibbard on Baptism, Ruter's Church History, Blair's Rhetoric, Hedge's Logic, Essay or Sermon—M. B. Camburn, G. W. Hoag, D. Thomas.

FOURTH YEAR.

Review of the whole course, Watson's Institutes, fourth part, Claude's Essay, Horn's Introduction, Steward's Mental Philosophy, Essay or Sermon —D. D. Gillett, J. Boynton, N. L. Brockway.

To Examine Local Preachers—T. H. Bignell, L. M. Edmonds, A. Coplin.

To Examine Local Deacons—W. Doust, A. Wakefield.

Trustees, Visitors, and Delegates.

Trustees of Albion College—A. Billings, Wm. Bort.

Trustee of the North-Western University—J. Jennings.

Visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute—R. C. Crawford, R. Pengelly.

Visitors to Lansing Female College—H. Hall, E. Westlake, D. Thomas.

Visitors to Albion College—F. D. Hemenway, R. C. Crawford, E. Westlake, M. B. Camburn, Joseph Jennings.

Committee on Endowment of Albion College—H. Rich, Esq., J. B. Crippen, Esq., M. A. Daugherty, F. B. Bangs, R. Sapp.

Committee on State Aid for Denominational Colleges—T. H. Sinex, L. Chatfield.

Delegate to Presbyterian Synod—Noah Fassett.

Delegate to Congregational Association—E. Holdstock.

Delegate to Baptist Convention—M. A. Daugherty.

Agent to receive Funds for Muskegon Church—H. Morgan.

Statistical Tables.

1. Stewards' Report.

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLLECT'N
		CLAIMS.	REC'PTS.	CLAIMS.	REC'PTS.	
MARSHALL DIST.	E. Holdstock,	$600	$500	$100	$100	.....
Marshall	J. Boynton,	600	600	.....	P.	$12 18
Albion	R. Sapp,	600	600	.....	P.	2 10
Parma	H. Caldwell,	450	450	.....	P.	13 23
Jackson	M. A. Daugherty,	800	800	.....	P.	10 00
Homer	Thomas Lyon,	500	480	.....	P.	9 10
Concord	G. W. Chapin,	370	285	50	$34	.....
Marengo	V. G. Boynton,	450	325	.....	P.	5 35
Partello	I. N. Tomes,	300	70	.....	P.	.....
Burlington . . .	S. A. Osborn,	200	200	30	$30	.....
Leroy	T. H. Bignell,	415	325	.....	P.	12 00
Battle Creek . .	J. Jennings,	615	615	.....	P.	6 00
Bellevue	T. B. Granger,	500	400	.....	P.	2 00
Union City . . .	R. D. McCarthy,	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 10
Bedford	E. C. Chambers,	400	315	.....	P.	6 25
Kalamo Centre .	J. Hoyt,	350	255	18	$18	6 00
Leonidas	A. Coplin,	400	304	65	65	7 40
Moscow	W. M. Coplin,	425	350	.....	P.	10 62
"	E. Wilkinson,	398	320	.....	P.	.....
Albion College .	T. H. Sinex,	750	750	150	$150	.....
" " . .	C. C. Olds,	500	500	.....		.....
		$9,623	$8,443	$413	$397	$108 93
COLDWATER DIST.	T. H. Jacokes,	$596	$441	$104	$104	.....
Coldwater . . .	I. Cogshall,	620	620	P.	P.	$14 00
Gerard	G. D. Lee,	400	400	.....	P.	4 00
Centreville . . .	J. E. McAlister,	500	500	.....	P.	10 60
Constantine . . .	N. L. Brockway,	475	475	.....	P.	15 00
Mottville . . .	J. Clubine,	300	200	.....	P.	1 13
White Pigeon . .	T. J. Congdon,	400	300	.....	P.	2 00
Sturgis	S. C. Woodard,	425	425	.....	P.	9 00
Burr Oak	A. W. Torrey,	350	350	.....	.....	5 00
Reading	A. C. Hazzard,	400	290	50	$50	75
Quincy	W. W. Johnson,	448	274	49	49	4 27
California . . .	A. Benson,	270	220	.....	P.	.....
Jonesville	N. M. Steele,	300	230	.....	.....	4 00
Hillsdale . . .	W. C. Comfort,	550	337	.....	P.	.....
Osceo	A. L. Crittenden,	511	357	52	$52	10 61
Cambria	T. J. Hill,	400	253	.....	P.	5 06
Litchfield	H. Penfield,	525	525	.....	P.	10 91
Allen	C. T. VanAntwerp,	335	232	22	$22	7 00
North Adams . .	W. Doust,	445	395	.....	P.	7 45
		$8,250	$6,824	$277	$277	$110 78

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLLECTION.
		CLAIMS.	REC'PTS.	CLAIMS.	REC'PTS.	
KALAMAZOO DIST.	F. B. Bangs,	$650	$555	$150	$150	.....
Kalamazoo,	F. D. Hemenway,	700	700	.....	P.	$30 00
Oshtemo,	A. A. Dunton,	445	287	50	42	9 09
Schoolcraft,	E. L. Kellogg,	500	350	60	60	5 30
Paw Paw,	I. Bennett,	390	330	60	60	9 00
Cooper,	W. C. H. Bliss,	350	250	.....	P.	6 70
Galesburg,	.....	.....	.....	.....	P.	10 00
West Climax,	A. Gore,	400	297	18	18	1 50
Richland,	E. H. Day,	400	400	.....	P.	12 00
Prairieville,	G. W. Tuthill,	300	290	.....	P.	2 50
Otsego,	G. A. Van Horn,	370	337	24	24	4 74
Allegan,	A. Y. Graham,	400	200	.....	P.	1 75
Wayland,	J. Billing,	350	262	.....	P.	8 00
Waverly,	C. H. Fisher,	340	200	.....	.....	1 00
Ganges,	Wm. P. Case,	400	295	.....	P.	.....
Three Rivers,	D. Burns,	.....	.....	.....	P.	2 00
		$5,995	$4,753	$362	$354	$103 58
NILES DISTRICT,	H. Law,	700	$515	.....	.....	.....
Niles,	W. Sprague,	700	400	.....	P.	12 00
Buchanan,	L. M. Edmons,	400	320	.....	P.	6 00
Dowagiac,	N. Fassett,	440	400	60	60	3 00
Cassopolis,	G. W. Hoag,	350	322	.....	P.	9 20
Edwardsburg,	M. B. Camburn,	542	386	.....	P.	6 00
Sumnerville,	E. L. Kellogg,	360	360	.....	P.	7 00
Hartford,	J. I. Buell,	400	400	20	20	2 00
Berrien,	N. Cleveland,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Joseph,	R. Pengelly,	500	303	.....	P.	7 25
New Buffalo,	E. Beard,	300	275	.....	P.	.....
Lawrence,	A. J. Van Wick,	425	260	.....	P.	2 00
Coloma,	J. S. Harder,	400	210	.....	P.	6 05
Lawton,	T. T. George,	439	361	36	36	10 40
Decatur,	L. M. Bennett,	360	227	40	33	2 63
		$6,316	$4,739	$156	$149	$73 53
GRAND RAPIDS DIS.	H. Morgan,	$650	$574	.....	.....	.....
Grand Rapids East,	D. R. Latham,	600	480	.....	P.	4 00
Grand Rapids West,	J. W. Robinson,	540	525	60	60	10 25
Kelloggville,	D. S. Haviland,	377	329	57	57	6 00
Sparta,	H. H. Bement,	300	144	.....	P.	.....
"	D. O. Fox,	200	96	.....	.....	.....
Lamont,	M. I. Smith,	400	275	.....	P.	4 00
"	W. M. Colby,	20	20	.....	.....	.....
Muskegon,	L. W. Earl,	500	300	60	30	.....
Newaygo,	W. J. Swift,	350	190	.....	.....	.....
Laphamville,	W. McKnight,	375	257	25	25	10 65
"	A. B. Moors,	150	113	.....	.....	.....
Greenville,	J. L. Child,	410	410	.....	P.	8 4
"	W. M. Colby,	100	40	.....	.....	.....
Flat River,	J. M. Pratt,	550	224	46	46	.....
"	F. Glass,	450	250	.....	P.	.....

CHARGES.	NAMES.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH QUESTION.
		CLAIMS.	REC'PTS.	CLAIMS.	REC'PTS.	
Otisco,	E. Marble,	$350	$250	.....	P.	$3 70
Saranac,	W. F. Jenkins,	500	267	.....	P.	4 33
"	D. Engle,	400	166	$25	$25	.....
Ionia,	R. C. Crawford,	500	500	.....	P.	13 00
Palo,	J. A. Sprague,	140	77	.....	P.	1 50
Middleville,	A. Wakefield,	365	180	40	40	4 02
Hastings,	J. N. Dayton,	430	320	.....	P.	3 43
Woodland,	J. W. Cawthorn,	390	275	.....	P.	4 80
		$9,097	$6,402	$313	$313	$74 22
Lansing District,	Geo. Bradly,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lansing,	D. D. Gillett,	500	400	.....	P.	13 00
Grand Ledge,	N. Mount,	440	220	.....	P.	1 25
" "	L. N. Garlick,	200	82	.....	.....	.....
Maple Rapids,	N. L. Otis,	450	300	.....	P.	3 00
St. Johns,	J. Fowler,	400	282	52	52	4 00
Matherton,	T. Clark,	400	295	.....	P.	4 00
Ovid,	H. C. Peck,	425	325	.....	P.	6 00
"	B. S. Pratt,	175	135	.....	.....	.....
Dewitt,	W. Stafford,	400	247	.....	P.	.....
Portland,	E. Westlake,	550	430	.....	P.	6 62
Lyons,	H. Hall,	480	315	60	60	1 45
Charlotte,	J. Jones,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vermontville,	U. Mason,	350	350	52	52	4 00
Okemos,	C. Chick,	350	230	.....	P.	.....
Gratiot,	Stephen Dodge,	325	210	.....	P.	1 15
Chippewa,	R. P. Sheldon,	223	223	.....	.....	.....
Onondaga,	G. W. Sherman,	400	280	7	7	.....
Eaton Rapids,	D. Thomas,	440	300	52	52	3 00
Mason,	O. F. Chase,	325	325	.....	P.	5 54
Isabella Ind'n Miss.	E. D. Young,	350	350	.....	P.	.....
" "	Peter Greensky,	250	250	11	11	.....
Agricultural College	L. R. Fisk,	1,000	1,000	.....	.....	.....
		$8,433	$6,549	$242	$242	$53 01
Gr. Traverse Dis.	S. Steele,	500	400	50	50	.....
Traverse City,	W. Rork,	250	250	.....	.....	.....
North Port,	J. W. Miller,	400	175	25	25	.....
Elk Rapids,	G. D. Palmer,	300	150	10	10	2 66
Manistee,	A. A. Darling,	250	250	.....	P.	.....
Pentwater,	H. M. Joy,	480	236	.....	P.	1 40
White River,	L. J. Griffin,	439	275	.....	P.	3 00
Oceana Ind'n Miss.	P. Marksman,	300	300	.....	.....	.....
Pine River Ind. Mis.	J. Elliott,	125	125	.....	.....	.....
" "	P. Greensky,	75	75	.....	.....	.....
		$3,119	$2,236	$85	$85	$7 06

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	SALARY.		HOUSE RENT.		FIFTH COLLECTION.
	CLAIMS.	RECEIPTS.	CLAIMS.	REC'PTS.	
Marshall,	$9623	$8443	$413	$397	$108 93
Coldwater,	8250	6824	277	277	110 78
Kalamazoo,	5995	4753	362	354	103 58
Niles,	6316	4739	156	149	73 53
Grand Rapids,	9097	6402	313	313	74 22
Lansing,	8433	6549	242	242	53 01
Grand Traverse,	3119	2236	85	85	7 06
	$50,833	$38,646	$1,848	$1,817	$531 11

Statistical Table, No. 2.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Soc'y	For Bible Soc'y	For Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library
MARSHALL DISTRICT.																			
Marshall	182	2	5	.....	.....	3	1	$12000	1	$1000	$12 18	$68 59	.....	$26 00	$2 62	3	39	278	240
Albion	157	2	14	1	.....	.....	1	6000	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parma	228	2	58	4	46	.....	4	4500	1	1000	13 23	106 36	.....	18 00	1 38	5	45	250	500
Jackson	134	1	32	1	27	.....	1	6000	1	2500	10 00	62 00	.....	24 79	9 00	2	36	225	600
Homer	254	3	35	3	7	.....	2	2500	1	1400	9 00	94 00	$2 00	18 74	.....	2	19	85	350
Concord	119	2	13	3	4	1	2	2000	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	6	60	290	500
Marengo	154	5	19	2	4	.....	.....	.....	1	1200	5 35	10 00	.....	.....	.....	5	36	157	270
Partello	44	.....	7	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5	50	60
Burlington	145	1	25	.....	15	3	2	1500	.....	.....	3 00	46 50	.....	.....	.....	1	10	40	200
LeRoy	161	2	18	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	1	800	12 00	84 00	.....	.....	.....	3	33	90	371
Battle Creek	225	2	10	2	3	1	1	15000	1	1200	6 00	26 00	.....	.....	.....	1	26	150	200
Bellevue	80	1	6	3	4	.....	1	2000	1	1200	2 00	14 00	.....	.....	.....	4	32	150	300
Union City	151	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	2	2800	1	600	5 00	17 75	.....	.....	.....	6	20	140	200
Bedford	111	1	12	.....	5	1	.....	.....	1	300	6 25	50 65	.....	.....	.....	4	22	100	300
Kalamo	112	1	8	.....	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	6 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Leonidas	139	.....	1	4	1	.....	2	6000	.....	.....	7 40	22 50	.....	2 20	.....	4	63	268	800
Moscow	190	1	21	3	6	1	1	2000	2	800	10 64	26 22	.....	.....	.....	3	60	269	800
Total	2586	25	259	30	114	11	20	$62300	14	13500	105 05	613 32	2 00	89 73	13 00	50	506	2542	5691
COLDWATER DISTRICT.																			
Coldwater	185	.....	6	1	1	.....	1	2000	1	1000	14 00	106 30	.....	.....	.....	1	26	160	700
Gerard	130	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	1600	1	800	4 00	35 00	.....	.....	.....	2	25	100	400
Centreville	197	.....	13	4	8	3	2	4500	1	900	10 60	240 04	8 00	1 00	31 41	4	40	216	941
Constantine	123	4	11	1	3	2	1	1500	1	600	15 00	80 00	.....	.....	2 00	4	40	170	475
Mottville	97	1	3	2	1	.....	3	3000	1	600	1 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	3	14	120	500
White Pigeon	54	1	8	1	2	6	1	2000	1	1000	2 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	2	20	130	400
Sturgis	91	3	7	4	.....	.....	1	600	1	500	9 00	24 00	.....	.....	1 00	1	28	119	230
Burr Oak	130	.....	22	5	14	3	1	2000	.....	.....	5 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	4	24	180	700
Reading	94	.....	8	.....	2	2	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	29 00	1 25	4	32	100	300
Quincy	153	1	1	2	.....	.....	1	1200	.....	.....	4 27	12 00	.....	.....	.....	3	30	75	250
California	126	2	18	2	.....	1	.....	.....	1	300	2 20	15 38	.....	.....	.....	3	26	122	183
Jonesville	100	2	.....	.....	1	.....	2	2500	.....	.....	4 00	22 00	.....	.....	.....	2	20	100	350
Hillsdale	79	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	1	2000	1	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	133	400

Osceo	188	1	22	4	4	3	2	1200			10 61	37 28				4	37	159	600
Cambria	232	2	75	3		3			1	350	5 06	9 27			4 00	7	58	230	835
Litchfield	248	2	35	1	5	1	3	2650	1	500	10 79			22 60	3 37	3	30	120	371
Allen	150	2	9	3	4		1	700			7 00	12 00							
North Adams	135		1	1		1	2	1250	1	450	7 45	30 25				2	20	60	300
Total	2512	22	262	36	45	25	24	$29700	12	$7800	$112 73	$717 52	$8 00	$23 60	$43 03	50	475	2294	7935
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.																			
Kalamazoo	247	1	13				1	4000	1	1500	30 00	192 00	3 00		15 00	1	30	275	500
Oshtemo	118	7	28	3	3	4	1	2500			9 09	32 35		1 39	55	3	31	156	387
Schoolcraft	145	1	5			2	2	3500			5 30	33 00				3	45	150	160
Paw Paw	90		8	2			1	2500			9 00	37 21	63	14 00	1 47	1	13	100	125
Cooper	79	1	5	2	1				1	400	6 70	8 00				5	20	180	175
Galesburg	155	1	8	2		3	2	3000	1	350	10 00	11 00				2	20	90	260
West Climax	49	1	2	2							1 50	6 25				3	29	100	310
Richland	132	3	32	1	36	8			1	1000	12 00	60 00				7	54	244	680
Prairieville	77		11	2					1	500	2 50	12 00				5	42	204	450
Otsego	114	1	5			4	1	200			4 74	24 50				4	38	150	640
Allegan	100	1	9	1		3	1	2000	1	800	1 75	6 00			41	1	10	30	108
Wayland	85	1	2	2					1	400	8 00	35 00			3 00	5	43	189	660
Waverly	125	2	8	1		4					1 00	13 00				3	30	90	300
Ganges	96	1	23				1		1	400	4 00	27 00				5	40	113	700
* Three Rivers	247						2	1200	1	1000						2	21	125	450
Total	1859	21	159	18	40	28	12	$18900	9	$6350	$105 58	$497 31	$3 63	$15 39	$20 43	50	466	2196	5905
NILES DISTRICT.																			
* Niles	167	3	3	1			1	1000	1	1000						1	20	148	480
Buchanan	157	5	27	2	2	4	2	4500	1	500	6 00	38 50		7 00	1 00	5	45	175	300
Dowagiac	84	3	4	2	5		2	2800			3 00	11 00		4 00	2 00	1	17	108	400
Cassopolis	187	4	35	2	16	2	3	4000	1	800	2 20	35 05	2 03	13 45	1 23	4	43	250	450
Edwardsburg	183	4	19		4	2	4	6000	1	600	6 00	50 00				3	31	149	560
Summerville	166	3	8	2			2	1200	1	400	7 00	23 00			1 00	5	40	150	555
Hartford	140	1	17	2	1		2	3600			2 00	15 00			1 50	1	12	57	100
Berrien	136		20	2			1	850	1	400						5	45	250	850
St. Joseph	62	1	4	2		3	1	3000	1	1000	7 25	5 00			2 00	1	20	140	300
New Buffalo	40	1	1				1	1400	1	250		4 00				1	8	30	250
Lawrence	136	1	16	1		1			2	900	2 00	8 00			50	5	30	125	300
Coloma	162	5	13	3	5	2			1	500	6 05	28 88				5	44	121	495
Lawton	87	1	15		1		1	2000			10 40	27 50				2	21	134	237
Decatur	67		12		3	1	1	3200			2 63	6 60			3 18	4	31	157	430
Total	1174	32	194	19	37	15	21	$33558	11	$6350	$54 53	$272 53	$2 03	$24 45	$13 41	43	407	1994	5707
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.																			
Grand Rapids East	196	1	12	2	1	2	1	2500	1	2000	4 00	72 00	2 30	9 50	2 00	2	26	130	515
Grand Rapids West	142		17	2	6	4	1	500			10 25	44 00			1 71	4	42	222	440
Kelloggsville	205	3	27	4	9	2			1	400	6 00	21 14				9	62	245	773
Sparta	193	3	10	2		4			1	300		10 25				10	80	301	107
Lamont	115	2	5		7	2	1	600	1	400	4 00	11 00		5 00		3	30	120	200

STATISTICAL TABLE, NO. 2--Continued.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Soc'y	For Bible Soc'y	For Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library
Muskegon	20	.....	6	1	1	.....	1	$12000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	80	98
Newaygo	57	1	8	.....	3	.....	1	3000	.....	.....	.....	10 62	.....	.....	.....	3	20	65	130
Lapeamville	184	3	76	2	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	$10 65	60 00	.....	.....	$6 00	2	62	300	800
Greenville	130	3	27	2	17	6	1	2600	1	600	8 54	46 00	.....	$3 25	.....	3	17	100	100
Flat River	228	2	38	3	40	10	1	400	1	300	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	4	50	240	380
Otisco	104	3	4	1	5	1	1	1000	1	600	3 85	42 60	.....	.....	.....	3	30	100	200
Saranac	241	1	18	5	1	4	.....	.....	1	500	4 33	38 58	.....	.....	.....	5	40	125	900
Ionia	180	.....	20	2	5	.....	2	1800	.....	.....	13 00	55 00	.....	44 00	.....	1	15	100	300
Palo	90	2	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	600	1 50	21 63	.....	.....	.....	2	15	60	150
Middleville	106	1	16	1	6	.....	1	2000	.....	.....	4 02	10 00	.....	.....	.....	3	23	100	412
Hastings	151	2	30	3	14	.....	1	3000	1	1000	3 43	11 08	.....	.....	3 37	6	30	175	200
Woodland	104	5	14	1	10	1	.....	.....	1	350	4 80	15 00	.....	.....	.....	5	42	155	650
Total	2446	32	328	36	137	37	12	$29400	11	$7050	$78 37	$518 90	$2 30	$61 75	$13 08	66	599	2617	6665
LANSING DISTRICT.																			
Lansing	161	5	28	2	3	2	1	1000	1	1200	13 00	33 00	.....	.....	8 00	3	30	300	500
Grand Ledge	234	5	29	4	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	22 00	50	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maple Rapids	100	2	12	1	.....	1	.....	.....	1	400	3 00	34 00	.....	3 50	.....	3	30	150	400
St. Johns	87	4	18	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	7 50	.....	.....	.....	2	22	70	325
Matherton	128	.....	10	4	7	5	.....	.....	1	600	4 00	17 78	.....	.....	.....	5	50	130	450
Ovid	254	5	25	5	37	5	1	1000	1	150	6 00	40 00	.....	.....	5 81	4	20	100	240
Dewitt	70	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	58	175
Portland	98	5	10	2	5	1	1	500	1	800	6 63	15 14	.....	.....	.....	5	31	170	400
Lyons	105	1	8	4	7	.....	1	800	.....	.....	1 45	40 00	.....	.....	.....	3	42	100	350
Charlotte	122	1	.....	2	2	1	1	3000	1	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	28	116	450
Vermontville	141	3	16	.....	3	2	.....	.....	1	125	4 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	4	32	142	100
Okemos	95	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	350	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	4	29	97	600
Gratiot	125	3	34	3	29	9	.....	.....	1	300	1 16	12 50	.....	.....	.....	6	48	210	350
Chippewa	103	2	28	3	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 41	.....	.....	.....	3	18	78	244
Onondaga	128	1	24	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 50	.....	.....	.....	4	14	80	180
Eaton Rapids	100	2	7	1	2	.....	1	2000	.....	.....	3 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	1	12	80	130
Mason	130	2	11	1	.....	.....	1	1500	1	200	5 35	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2	15	65	130
Isabella Indian Mission	322	1	5	5	6	29	1	1500	2	100	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	3	4	50	30
Total	2503	44	271	39	148	55	8	$11300	12	$5325	$52 84	$344 83	$0 50	$3 50	$14 81	56	443	1996	5054

GRAND TRAVESSE DISTRICT.																			
Traverse City	12	.....	4	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	3	20	200
Northport	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elk Rapids	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Frankfort	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manistee	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pentwater	15	.....	9	.....	2	5	1	1000	1	400	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	2	12	50	300
Old Mission	52	.....	10	1	8	12	.....	.....	1	600	1 40	4 30	.....	.....	.....	2	10	26	235
White River	21	.....	15	.....	11	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oceana Indian Mission	16	3	32	.....	18	16	.....	.....	1	200	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	8	35	158	822
Pine River Indian Mission	149	3	49	1	17	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 37	.....	.....	.....	1	5	40	9
	130	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	440	6	179	2	56	55	1	$1000	3	$1200	$1 40	$59 67	.....	.....	.....	14	65	294	1566

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.		CHURCH PROPERTY.				BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	L. Preachers.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Prob. Value.	Parsonages.	Prob. Value.	For Conference Claimants.	For Missionary Society.	For Tract Soc'y	For Bible Soc'y	For Sunday School Union.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library
Marshall	2586	25	259	30	114	11	20	$62300	14	13500	$105 05	$613 32	$2 00	$89 73	$13 00	50	506	2542	5691
Coldwater	2512	22	262	36	45	25	24	29700	12	7800	112 73	717 52	8 00	23 60	43 03	50	475	2294	7935
Kalamazoo	1859	21	159	18	40	28	12	18900	9	6350	105 58	497 31	3 63	15 39	20 43	50	466	2196	5905
Niles	1174	32	194	19	37	15	21	33558	11	6350	54 53	272 53	2 03	24 45	13 41	43	407	1994	5707
Grand Rapids	2446	32	328	36	137	37	12	29400	11	7050	78 37	518 90	2 30	61 75	13 08	66	599	2617	6665
Lansing	2503	44	271	39	148	55	8	11300	12	5325	52 84	344 83	50	3 50	14 81	56	443	1996	5054
Grand Traverse	440	6	179	2	56	55	1	1000	3	1200	1 40	59 67	.....	.....	.....	14	65	294	1566
Total	13520	182	1652	180	577	226	98	$186156	72	47575	$510 50	3024 08	18 46	$218 42	$117 76	329	2961	13933	38523

* Taken from last year's report.

Missionary Cause.

Officers of Missionary Society.

President—THOMAS LYON. *Vice President*—T. B. GRANGER.
Secretary—M. B. CAMBURN. *Treasurer*—L. M. EDMONDS.

MANAGERS:

H. PENFIELD, N. L. BROCKWAY, J. N. DAYTON.

To preach the annual sermon—M. A. DAUGHERTY; alternate, H. M. JOY.

Treasurer's Report.

The MICHIGAN ANNUAL CONFERENCE,
In account with L. M. EDMONDS, *Treasurer.*

CR. by amount received.

Marshall District.

Marshall, by J. BOYNTON:	
H. Atkinson,	$ 5 00
Collected by Miss E. S. Drak:	
From O. C. Comstock,	3 00
" J. T. Ellis,	3 00
" E. Butler,	1 00
" J. Buckingham,	1 00
" Benjamin Drake	1 00
" L. Mosher,	50
" J. B. Beach,	1 00
" Dr. Gill,	50
Minor Sums,	75
Collections by J. Boynton,	15 84
Collected by Miss Eliza Cook:	
From Wm. Paxton,	1 00
" J. Rogers,	1 00
" Mrs. J. P. Cook,	1 00
" L. Wilmarth,	1 00
" H. H. Stowell,	1 00
" J. H. Wells,	1 00
" J. H. Vernor,	1 00
" J. L. Dobbins,	50
" James Tilton,	1 00
" L. W. Travers,	5 00
" Miss M. Waites,	50
" J. Waites,	50
From Mrs. J. Rogers,	$1 00
" A. B. Cook,	3 00
" A. Watson,	1 00
" Wm. Phelps,	50
Minor Sums,	2 00
Collected by Miss Amanda Goucher:	
From A. Demott,	1 50
" C. Buckingham,	1 00
" A. B. Goucher,	1 00
" D. Huggett,	50
" J. E. Doty,	1 00
" Th. W. Huggett,	1 00
" D. Sackett,	50
" Miss Ann Sackett,	1 00
" " Adelie Goucher,	1 00
" " Am. Goucher,	1 00
" " Jane Goucher,	50
" " J. A. Corry,	50
" Mrs. Huggett,	1 00
" John Thomas,	1 00
Minor Sums,	50
Total from Marshall,	$68 59

To be appropriated as follows:

$20.00 to constitute Wm. Phelps a life member of the Parent Missionary Society.

$20.00 to constitute Mary Cook a life member of the Parent Missionary Society.

$10.00 to constitute Miss Eliza Drake a member of the Conference Missionary Society.

$10.00 to constitute Miss Amanda Goodrich a life member of the Conference Missionary Society.

Albion, by R. SAPP:

From the Society,	$21 42
" " Sunday School,	27 10
From the College,	$53 46
Total,	$101 98

Parma, by H. CALDWELL, $106 36

Jackson, by M. A. DAUGHERTY, to constitute S. O. Knapp, Cornelia Conable, Maria A. Hulin, members of the Parent Missionary Society, 62 00

Homer, by T. LYON:

Collected by Ann A. Mc Cutchan,	$14 75
Collected by Eliza A. Watson,	10 65
Collected by Mary Heller,	11 63
" " Maria E. Farley,	14 25
" " Ann Eddy,	14 25
" " Ph. M. Jackett,	6 14
Collected by Jennie Marvin,	$5 56
" " M. A. Hamilton,	5 50
" " Alice Rhodes,	8 15
" " Mrs. J. W. Eslow, for sister Rhodes,	1 15
Collected by Mr. Newton Janes and self,	5 00
Total	$97 00

Concord, by G. W. CHAPIN, to constitute Rev. G. W. Chapin and Mrs. J. L. C. Chapin life members of the Conference Missionary Society, $25 00

Marengo, by V. G. BOYNTON, to constitute Miss Mary Jane McGee a life member of the Conference Missionary Society, 10 00

Leroy, by T. H. BIGNELL:

Collected by Thomas Sprage, of Thomas J. Ferris, and wife, to be appropriated to the Ind. Missions in Michigan,	$ 6 25
From others to constitute Celia A. Ellsworth, a life member of the Conference Missionary Society,	3 75
Collected by N. Schramlin, to make herself a life member of the Parent Missionary Society,	20 00
Collected by the following named persons, to constitute themselves life members of the Conference Missionary Society:	
Nancy C. Hathoway,	16 73
Alice Willard,	13 61
Emeline Sharpe,	10 05
Margarett Hardenberg,	10 36
M. Melina Sprague,	12 18
Other Sources,	1 7
Total,	$94 00

Battle Creek, by J. JENNINGS, $26 00

Bellevue, by T. B. GRANGER, to constitute Mrs. S. Kimberly a life member of the Conference Missionary Society, 14 00

Union City, by T. B. SPENCER, 17 75

Bedford, by E. C. Chambers, 50 65

Kalamo Center, by J. HOYT, 6 00

Leonidas, by A. COPLIN, 22 46

Moscow, by WM. M. COPLIN:

From Stephen Baldwin,	$ 50
" W. W. Bissell,	50
" E. B. Fuller,	50
" S. G. Pettingell,	50
" Stacy Chout,	50
" James Conly,	1 00
" Martha Conly,	50
" Charles Lewis,	50
" S. P. Choat,	50
From Sally Finch,	$ 50
" L. J. Lewis,	50
" Edward Smith,	1 00
" M. H. Twogood,	1 00
" H. A. Chout,	60
" Wm. M. Coplin,	50
" Amara Foster,	50
Collections and smaller sums,	16 62
Total,	$26 22

Collectors—Mary J. Conly, Jane Smith, Elizabeth Blashfield, Mary J. Rose, Paulina Wood, Isaac T. Lyon, C. M. Hunt, A. Spaulding.

Total from Marshall District, $728 01.

Coldwater District.

Coldwater, by I. COGSHALL:

To constitute the following named persons members of the Parent Missionary Society:	
Mrs. E. Weldy,	$20 00
" L. A. Jacokes,	20 00
" C. H. Lanphere,	20 00
" Delia Cogshall,	20 00
To constitute 13 persons life members of the Sunday School Missionary Society, by the payment of two dollars each	$26 00
Fifty cents additional,	50
Total	$106 50

Gerard, by G. D. LEE, 35 00

Centerville, by J. E. MCALLISTER:

Per hat collections,	$10 44
" gallery collections,	5 00
" subscription in congregation,	1 20
Collected by Miss Abbie T. Johnson:	
From Wm. Hazzard, sen. and wife,	16 00
" Miss Huldah Hazzard,	10 00
" L. D. Lyman,	10 00
" Lewis Thomas,	3 00
" Charles Cummings,	3 00
" Emma Evans,	2 00
" J. Wilson,	1 00
" Ann Lucas,	50
" "	25
Per subscription in congregation:	
Collected by Miss Mary E. Emory:	
From D. F. Wolf and wife,	15 00
From Rev. J. E. McAllister and Wife,	10 00
" Miss E. McAllister,	3 00
" J. F. Wolf,	5 00
" Wm. B. English and wife,	5 00
" T. Fosdick and wife,	2 00
" Master J. B. McAllister,	1 75
" Nettie Weld,	1 00
Per subscription in congregation:	
Collected by Miss M. Mathews:	
From Wm. Hazzard jun. and wife,	10 00
" R. Mathews,	5 00
" Thos. Whitaker,	1 10
" Elisha Bailey,	3 00
" A. A. Miller,	2 00
" Mrs. Julia Messenger,	2 00
" " M. Sadler,	1 00
" " E. G. McKinney,	1 00
" " L. Estus,	1 00
" Chas. Clarke,	1 00
" Chas. Jones,	1 00
" E. Jones,	1 00
" Mrs. Oaks,	2 00
From J. Shemel,	50
" J. O. Warren,	50
" Miss A. Jones,	50
To constitute the following named persons members of the Parent Missionary Society:	
Mr. William Hazzard,	
Mrs. Cassandra Hazzard,	
" Barbara Wolf,	
" Mary Vincent,	
Mr. George Keech,	
Mrs. Mary Keech.	
Tyler Class: hat collection,	3 88

Collected by Miss Mary J. Andrews:

From Comfort Tyler,	$10 00
" Joseph Russell,	7 12
" Wm. Tyler,	2 00
" Chas. B. Doughty,	2 00
" Mrs. Mary Thurston,	2 00
" Elias Andrews,	1 00
" Mrs. Achrah Washburn	1 00
" Mrs. Bell Marvin,	1 00
" Miss E. Foot,	1 00
" Mrs. E. Draper,	1 00
" " Sally Tyler,	1 00
" " Lucinda Russell,	1 00
" " Eliza Bryant,	1 00
" " Jane Doughty,	1 00
" " Lucy Decker,	1 00
" John Billings,	1 00
" Thomas Verrin,	1 00
" Wm. Fuller,	50
" Erastus Kong,	50
" Cornelia Bolt,	50
In smaller sums,	65

By which the following persons are made life members of the Parent Society:
Mrs. Rhoda Tuck,
" Mary Doughty.

Nottawa Class:

Hat collection,	1 11

Collected by Miss Mary J. Huntley:

From Rev. B. B. Goodrich,	10 00
" L. Huntly,	5 00
" Eunice Harmond,	5 00
" Rev. J. E. McAllister,	5 50
Smaller sums,	13 89

By which the following persons are made life members of the Parent Missionary Society:
Zeboath White,
Joseph Butler.

Chaffee's class:

Hat collection,	90

Collected by Emerett Kinyon:

From Wm. J. Schemerhorn,	3 00
From A. C. Chaffee,	3 00
" S. E. Kinyon,	1 00
" E. Marvin,	1 00
" Wm. E. Thornton,	50
" A. Kinyon,	50
Smaller sums,	1 00

By which Emerett Kinyon is made a life member of conference missionary society.

Foot class:

Collected by H. M. Tyler:

From Clarissa Foot,	3 00
" Nellie Foot,	1 00
" Hattie Tyler,	1 00
" D. N. Thompson,	1 00
" O. D. Russell,	1 00
" E. O. Thompson,	50
" Amos Perrin,	50
In smaller sums,	2 25

By which H. M. Tyler is constituted a life member of the conference missionary society.

Total,	$204 04

Constantine, by N. L. BROCKWAY:
To constitute the following named persons life members of the parent missionary society:

Mary Landon,	$20 00
Susan King,	20 00
Sarah Welboorn,	20 00
Paid besides,	20 00
Total,	$80 00

Mottville, by J. CLUBINE:
To constitute the following persons life members of the conference missionary society:

Rhoda Skinner,	10 00
Mary C. Hass,	10 00
Emeline Hutton,	10 00
Total,	$30 00

White Pigeon, by T. J. CONGDEN,	15 00
Sturgis, by S. C. WOODARD,	24 00
Burr Oak, by A. W. TORREY, to constitute A. W. Torrey a life member of the parent missionary society,	20 00
Reading, by A. C. HAZZARD,	29 00
Quincy, by W. W. JOHNSON,	12 03
California, by A. BENSON,	15 37
Jonesville, by N. M. STEELE,	22 00
Osseo, by A. L. CRITTENDEN,	37 28

Cambria, by T. J. Hill, $9 27

Litchfield, by H. Penfield:
To constitute the following named persons life members of the conference missionary society:
Julia Stoddard, $10 00
Martha Sturgis, 10 00
Wm. H. Armstrong, 10 00
L. B. Woodard, 10 00
Sarah Pettwood, 10 00
Dr. A. R. Brown, 10 00
Besides, 11
Total, $60 11

Allen, by C. T. Van Antwerp, collected by Mariah Decker, 12 00

North Adams, by W. Doust, 30 25

Total from Coldwater District, $777.85.

Kalamazoo District.

Kalamazoo, by F. D. Hemenway:
To constitute Rev. F. B. Bangs life director of the missionary society of the M. E. Church, $150 00
To constitute the S. S. superintendents, O. L. Sterling and S. C. Eason, life members of the parent missionary society, 40 00
Besides, 2 50
Total, $192 50

Oshtemo, by A. A. Dunton:
Per Leslie's Sunday school, $1 53
" Oshtemo public collection, 6 04
Per Hurd's public collection, $2 54
" Grand Prairie " 93
" Mattawan " " 6 78
" Hill's " " 86
" Pretty Lake " 1 78
Raised 3 years since, not paid over before, 2 50
Total, $32 35
To constitute the following named persons life members of the conference missionary society:
Margarett Sargeant,
Thomas Scott,
A. D. Bryant.

Schoolcraft, by E. L. Kellogg, $33 00

Paw Paw, by I. Bennett, 37 21

Cooper, by W. C. H. Bliss, 8 00

Galesburg, by A. Billings, 11 00

West Climax, by A. Gore, 6 25

Richland, by E. H. Day, 60 00

Prairieville, by G. W. Tuthill, 12 00

Otsego, by G. A. Van Horn:
From Wm. Allen, $5 00
" A. Reed, 1 00
" C. C. White, 1 00
" Mrs. A. White, 1 00
" M. Conrad, 1 00
" Geo. Van Horn, 1 00
" M. E. Van Horn, 1 00
" T. Stratten, 1 00
" H. Pierce, 1 00
" E. Packard, 50
" W. and E. Packard, 50
" D. A. Conrad, 50
" E. Adkins, 50
" Mrs. Eston, 50
" J. Smith, 50
From C. Dann, 50
" Mrs. Belden, 50
" L. D. Nichols, 50
" M. W. Nichols, 50
" M. B. Nichols, 1 00
" Mrs. M. B. Nichols, 50
" E. Skinner, 50
" Wm. Skinner, 50
" I. Stratten, 50
" M. Hicks, 50
" Mr. Odell, 50
" Wm. Sebung, 50
" J. Page, 1 00
Smaller sums, 50
Total, $24 50

Allegan, by A. Y. GRAHAM,	$ 6 00
Wayland, by J. BILLING,	35 00
Waverly, by C. H. FISHER,	13 00
Ganges, by W. P. CASE,	27 05
Three Rivers, by D. BURNS,	63 75

Total from Kalamazoo District, $561 61.

Niles District.

Niles, by W. SPRAGUE, $34 00

Buchanan, by L. M. EDMONDS:

Collected by T. Z. Carlisle and Pastor:

From Uzziel B. Archer,	$ 84
" Wm. H. Burnton and wife	1 00
" Buren Blake,	1 00
" Adeline Bonnell,	50
" H. L. Carlisle,	50
" T. Z. Carlisle,	1 00
" S. L. Estes,	1 00
" M. E. Edmonds,	1 00
" F. Gilbert,	50
" Hannah Graham,	50
" H. J. Hull,	50
" T. J. Hunter,	50
" H. G. Holliday,	50
" P. N. Holley,	50
" M. E. Moon,	50
" J. G. Mead,	50
" B. T. Morley,	50
" S. P. Mason,	50
" V. Schram,	50
" C. J. Stephens,	2 00
" J. H. Sherwood,	50
" G. Tichenor and wife,	1 00
" Jonah Threadkell and wife	1 00
Minor sums,	4 51

Terra Coupee:

Collected by Mrs. A. Bromley,

From Eli Egbert and wife,	3 50
" Wm. Egbert and wife,	75
From Jacob Smith,	50
" Lewis Bryant,	50
" Fred White,	50
In smaller sums,	1 97

Enterprise:

Collected by Mrs. R. Koonts,	
From L. V. Baker and wife,	1 00
Others, names not given,	3 00

Dayton:

Collected by Mrs. R. Howlan,	
From Mrs. R. Howlan,	1 00
" N. B. Collins,	1 00
" Mrs. M. Hunter,	50
Minor sums,	75

Wesaw:

Collected by Mrs. C. M. Eaton,	
From Mrs. C. M. Eaton,	50
" " L. E. Ives,	50
" J. M. Patterson and wife	50
Minor sums,	88
Total from Buchanan chg,	$38 70

To constitute the following named persons life members of Conf. Mis. Society:

Miss T. Z. Carlisle,	10 00
Mrs. R. Koonts,	10 00
" A. Harrison,	10 00
Postage on *Mis. Advocate*	2 20
To help make Br. Sherman a life member of parent mis. society,	1 50
Balance paid into treasury,	5 00
	11 00

Dowagiac, by N. FASSETT,	35 84
Cassopolis, by G. W. HOAG,	50 00
Edwardsburg, by M. B. CAMBURN,	22 00
Summerville, ERASTUS L. KELLOGG,	15 00
Hartford, by J. I. BUEL,	5 00
St. Joseph, by R. PENGELLY,	4 00
New Buffalo, by E. BEARD,	8 00
Lawrence, by A. J. VAN WYCK,	6 60
Decatur, by L. M. BENNETT,	

Coloma, by J. S. HARDER:

Collected by Helen M. Becker, to make her a life member of Conf. mis. society.	
From Rev. Delos Bryant,	$1 00
" Martin Murrer,	1 00
" Rev. J. S. Harder and wife,	2 00
" J. N. Peters,	50
" Mrs. Bryant,	50
" Wesley Vincent,	50
" Mrs. Knapp,	50
" S. A. McKee,	50
" John Murrer,	50
In smaller amounts,	4 13
Collected by Mrs. Barnes,	1 00
Collected by Mary A. Greene, to make her a life member of Conf. mis. society.	
From Mary A. Greene,	$3 75
" W. W. Greene,	50
" B. B. Greene,	50
" W. H. Pearl,	50
" H. B. Harrington,	50
" A. Bishop,	50
" H. Boughton,	50
In less amounts,	3 25
Collected by Sarah J. Grossman,	
From Sarah J. Grossman,	1 00
" Rev. R. Soule and wife,	2 00
" L. A. Vannatter,	1 00
" Wm. Z. Soule and wife,	1 00
" Lucinda Young,	50
" Almira Young,	50
" H. R. Holland,	50
In less amounts,	25
Total from Coloma,	$28 88
Lawton, by T. T. GEORGE,	$27 50
Total for Niles District,	$286 52

Grand Rapids District.

Grand Rapids, East Charge, D. R. LATHAM:
$20 of which goes to the support of a child in India, named Hattie Eggleston, $72 00

Grand Rapids, West Charge, J. W. ROBINSON: 44 00

Kelloggville, by D. S. HAVILAND:

Cash on hand,	18 39
Postage on *Miss. Advocate*,	2 75
Paid by A. Hamilton,	1 00
" Jerry Boynton,	1 38
" E. Yeomans,	1 00
" Julia Loomis,	1 00
" Sylvia Nichols,	1 00
Paid by J. I. Cutler,	1 00
" Samuel McKinney,	50
" A. Weelzewood,	50
" H. Ewing,	50
" C. M. Town,	50
" Wm. Wood,	50
" C. Stone,	50
In smaller sums,	11 76

Lamont, by M. I. SMITH, 11 00

Sparta, by H. H. BEMENT, 10 25

Newaygo, W. J. SWIFT, 10 62

Laphamville, by W. MCKNIGHT, 60 00

Greenville, J. M. CHILD, 46 00

Flat River, F. GLASS, 50 00

Otisco, by E. MARBLE:

Collected by Julia C. Stark,	1 10
and Jennie Baird, who is made a life member of the Conf. mis. society.	50
From Lucy A. Holcomb,	1 00
" Mary Collins,	50
" Elizabeth Baird,	50
" Elizabeth Morton,	50
" Adam Burrard,	50
From Luther M. Berry,	50
" John Morton,	50
" James Face,	1 00
" James Baird,	1 00
" Edward B. Post,	50
" James Stark,	55
" Lester A. Berry,	1 00
In smaller sums,	2 70
Total,	$12 35
Received by other means,	30 35

Saranac, by W. F. JENKINS, $38 58
Ionia, by R. C. CRAWFORD, 55 00
Palo, by WM. M. COLBY: Rec'd of Wm. M. Colby, 15 00
" J. Sprague, 3 00
Middleville, by A. WAKEFIELD, 10 00
Hastings, by J. N. DAYTON, 11 08
Woodland, by J. W. CAWTHORNE, 15 00

Total from Grand Rapids District, $517 25

Lansing District.

Lansing, by D. D. GILLETT, $33 00

Grand Ledge, by N. MOUNT:

Collected by N. Mount:

From J. Nixon,	$5 00
" Mrs. E. F. Braggins,	2 49
" Miss M. R. Smith,	3 88
" " Ruth Harpster,	2 97
" Lydia Parsons,	2 00
" Almeda Eddy,	2 40

From S. Gunnell,	1 45
" M. A. Benson,	61
" Sabina Niles,	
Total,	$22 00

$20.00 of which is to constitute Matilda Mount a life member of the parent missionary society.

Maple Rapids, by N. L. OTIS, $34 00
St. Johns, by J. FOWLER, 7 50
Matherton, by T. CLARK, 17 78
Ovid, by H. C. PECK, 40 00
Dewitt, by W. STAFFORD, 1 03
Portland, by E. WESTLAKE, 15 14
Lyons, by H. HALL, 40 00
Vermontville, by U. MASON, 20 00
Okemos, by C. CHICK, 10 00
Gratiot, by S. DODGE, 12 50
$10 to constitute Rev. E. S. Sours life member of the conference missionary society.
Chippawa, by R. C. SHELDON, 6 60
Onondaga, by G. W. SHERMAN, 18 50
$1.50 additional paid by L. M. Edmonds, to constitute Rev. G. W. Sherman a life member of the parent missionary society.
Eaton Rapids, by D. THOMAS, to constitute Jane Garton a life member of the parent missionary society, 20 00
Mason, by O. F. CHASE, 10 00
Isabella Ind. Mission, by E. D. YOUNG, appropriated toward building a parsonage at Isabella, for the interpreter, 40 00

Total from Lansing District, $348.05.

Grand Traverse District.

Traverse City, by W. W. Rork,	$2 50
Northport, by J. W. Miller,	2 25
Manistee, by A. A. Darling,	8 00
Pentwater, by H. M. Joy,	4 31
White River, by L. J. Griffin,	40 00
Oceana Ind. Mission, by P. Marksman,	7 37

Total from Grand Traverse District, $64.43.

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

Marshall District,	$728 01	
Coldwater "	777 85	
Kalamazoo "	561 61	
Niles "	286 52	
Grand Rapids District,	517 25	
Lansing "	348 15	
Grand Traverse "	64 43	
Public collection at the Anniversary,	26 26	
Per centage on specie,	1 47	
Grand Total,		$3,311 45

CONTRA.

Carlton's receipt for draft on New York, per C. H. Simpson,	$3,211 73	
Corlton's receipt, forwarded from Greenville,	11 00	
Paid for draft,	12 21	
Loss on bad bills and uncurrent money,	8 06	
Collected at Isabella Ind. Mission, and expended on mission property,	40 00	
For postage, paid on Missionary Advocates,	4 95	
" telegraphic dispatch to Chicago for certificates,	73	
" publishing the minutes,	22 77	
Grand Total,		$3,311 45

L. M. Edmonds,
Treasurer.

Report of the Mission Auditing Committee for the Year 1861-62.

APPROPRIATIONS AND RECEIPTS.

Lansing District—G. BRADLEY, P. E.

Appropriation to Okemos	$20 00
Paid as per voucher to C. CHICK	20 00
To Chippewa	20 00
Paid as per voucher to R. P. SHELDON	20 00
To Gratiot	40 00
Paid as per voucher to S. DODGE	40 00

Grand Rapids District—H. MORGAN, P. E.

Appropriations, to the District	$45 00
To Muskegon	75 00
To Newago	30 00
	$150 00
Paid as per voucher to H. MORGAN	45 00
" " " L. W. EARL	75 00
" " " W. J. SWIFT	30 00
	$150 00

Grand Traverse District—S. STEELE, P. E.

Appropriations :	
To the District	$350 00
To Traverse City	100 00
To Northport	100 00
To Elk Rapids	50 00
To Manistee	50 00
	$650 00
To P. E. on account of Indian Missions	100 00
	$750 00
Paid as per voucher to S. STEELE	450 00
" " " W. RORK	100 00
" " " G. W. MILLER	100 00
" " " G. D. PALMER	50 00
" " " A. A. DARLING	50 00
	$750 00

Appropriated to Indian Missions :	
Oceana	$300 00
Paid as per voucher to P. MARKSMAN	300 00
To Pine River	200 00
Paid as per voucher to JOSEPH ELLIOTT	175 00
" " " P. GREENSKY	25 00
To Isabella and Saginaw Bay	600 00
To P. Elder of Lansing District	100 00
Paid as per voucher to E. D. YOUNG	350 00
" " " P. GREENSKY	250 00
" " " G. BRADLEY, P. E.	100 00

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT OF G. BRADLEY.

Receipts from Quarterly Collections on Indian Mission	$8 64
Paid, as per voucher to JOHN IRONS, interpreting and traveling expenses to camp meeting	13 00
Paid, as per voucher to D. HALL, for the same	2 00
" " " E. D. YOUNG, for lights furnished for camp meeting	2 10
	$17 00
Leaving due to G. BRADLEY	$8 40

REAL ESTATE ACCOUNT WITH REV. G. BRADLEY.

Geo. Bradley, Dr.

To balance in his hands from last year	$273 36
To cash from T. MCNELLY	111 00
" " POTTER	107 00
" " ADAMS	233 34
" " JONES	450 00
	$1174 70

Contra, Cr.

Paid, as per voucher, taxes in Isabella Co.	$3 76
" " " " at Lansing	27 35
" " " for building a Church	1260 00
" " " for Quit Claim Deed	2 00
" " " " making fence round church at Nebbesing	45 00
" " " ground for parsonage for Interpreter	5 00
" " " pay in part for building parsonage	23 00
" " " lumber for parsonage fence	7 48
	$1373 59
Balance due G. BRADLEY	$198 89

Report of the Committee on Missions.

Appropriated to Domestic Missions:

		Total to Districts.
COLDWATER DISTRICT.		
Hillsdale	$50	$50
NILES DISTRICT	$40	
New Buffalo	50	
Berrien	40	
Decatur	40	$170
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT	$40	
Muskegon	90	
Newaygo	65	$195
LANSING DISTRICT.		
Chippewa	$40	
Gratiot	40	$80
MANISTEE DISTRICT	$375	
Manistee	50	
Northport	100	
Traverse City	100	
Elk Rapids	80	$705
Total to Domestic Missions		$1200

Appropriated to Indian Missions:		
Oceana Mission	$300	
Pine River Mission	225	
Presiding Elder District	100	$625
Isabella Mission—and the farm	$375	
Assistant Missionary	225	
Presiding Elder of Lansing District	75	$675
Total to Indian Missions		$1300

I concur in the above appropriations.

L. SCOTT.

Tract Cause.

Report of the Treasurer of Tract Society.

ISAAC BENNETT, *Treasurer of Tract Society*, *Dr.*

To cash received from Homer, by T. Lyon, remitted to N. Y.,	$2 00	
" " " Centreville, by J. E. McAlister, remitted to Chicago . . .	8 00	
" " " Paw Paw, by I. Bennett . . .	63	
" " " Kalamazoo, by F. D. Hemenway,	3 00	
" " " Cassopolis, by G. W. Hoag, . .	2 03	
" " " Grand Rapids East, by D. R. Latham,	2 30	
" " " Grand Ledge, by N. Mount . .	50	
To cash on hand	5 00	$23 46

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By cash remitted to New York	7 00	
" " Chicago	8 00	
By cash paid to Carlton & Porter, as per vouchers . .	8 46	$23 46

Report of Committee on Tract Cause.

In the earlier ages of the church, God pressed the pen as well as the tongue into the service of the gospel. Apostles and prophets were tract writers. For two thousand five hundred years the revelations of God were embodied in rolls and tracts, and tract books. Luther and Wesley were noble examples to modern Methodist preachers, as writers and revisers of books, and distributors of tracts. Luther shook the throne of the Vatican to its foundations with his tracts. Wesley and Fletcher roused and defeated the theological polemics of England, and achieved a glorious victory for Arminianism, with tracts. This engine of tremendous power is in the hands of Methodist preachers in the tracts and tract books put forth by our tract society. The pastor, by heeding the injunction of the old discipline to read our best religious tracts, and of the new one to spread the books, will many times multiply his power for usefulness among his people in making them more knowing and more holy: Therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend to our ministers a careful study of the tract and tract book treasures, of our own publishing houses, and their wonderful adaptation to the peculiar wants of our church and of the times.

Resolved, That we recommend to every pastor having charge of a circuit, to take up a collection, early in the ensuing year, the proceeds of which shall be at his own disposal in the purchase and distribution of tracts.

Resolved, That we recommend to our people to purchase our own unequaled publications.

Sunday School Cause.

Officers of Sunday School Society.

President—R. Sapp. *Vice President*—R. Pengelly.
Secretary—H. C. Peck. *Treasurer*—Wm. McKnight.
Directors—J. E. McAllister, N. M. Steele, N. L. Brockway, N. Mount, E. Marble.

Vice Presidents of Sunday School Union.

I. Bennett.

Marshall District—D. Burns, S. O. Knapp.
Coldwater District—T. Lyon, W. Allman.
Kalamazoo District—E. H. Day, S. W. Walker.
Niles District—G. W. Hoag, J. S. Tuttle.
Grand Rapids District—J. W. Robinson, H. Rich.
Lansing District—J. Boynton, J. Turner.
Manistee District—H. Bement, H. Green.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

The committee on Sabbath Schools ask to present the following report:

That since the establishment of Sunday Schools in connection with the christian church, as a means of religious instruction, and the inculcation of moral principles, the most cheering success has crowned the enterprise.

Though many difficulties attended this institution in its early stages, yet the persevering dilligence, and indomitable zeal of its friends, have succeeded in developing and establishing a system for the religious instruction of the children heretofore unknown to the world.

While we rejoice in what has been accomplished, we see and feel the necessity of putting forth still greater efforts, and applying ourselves with the most untiring energies in working the machinery so admirably adapted to the end proposed.

There is a want of laborers in the offices of superintendents and teachers who can be relied upon for punctuality in attendance. Many schools must needs prove a failure in the rural districts for the want of suitable superintendents. With all that has been said and done, there is still a great want of active coöperation upon the part of parents in our connection, in many portions of our work, while no charges exceed what we ought to expect. But few parents devote any special time to the religious instruction of their children at their homes, and fewer still lead their children to the Sunday school and take an active part there.

There is also much difficulty in finding superintendents adapted to interest and superintend the schools, and give to the schools the life and animation so necessary to make them interesting. We want superintendents who love children, and possess the enviable gift of being interestingly communicative to the understanding of the child.

Has not the time fully come when the church should more specially search out, by her pastors and otherwise, such men, and thrust them into this work as a christian duty? The future progress and perpetuity of the church is to depend not so much upon accessions to her communion by emigration, as to the children of the families who make our congregations and look to us for religious instruction.

Increased attention should be given to the acquiring of funds for the benefit of our Union, that her books, periodicals and papers may the more freely spread over the land: Therefore,

Resolved, That each pastor, when preaching upon the subject of Sunday schools, press upon the attention of parents the attendance on Sunday schools as a moral and religious duty, and that he further urge them in his pastoral visits to active cooperation in their attendance.

Resolved, That each pastor give special attention in ascertaing who, on his charge, are particularly capacitated to interest and instruct children, and as far as possible get them to be superintendents.

Resolved, That superintendents be recommended, wherever practicable, to superintend two or more schools on a Sabbath, and that superintendents interchange or visit other schools, and thereby contribute to their interests.

Resolved, That in these troublous times and numerous calls for money, our Sunday school collections for the benefit of the Union should be more especially called for.

Resolved, That we would reiterate our repeated declarations, that as a church, we have no connection with the A. S. Union, and we earnestly counsel our people not to patronize other institutions inimical to our interests as a denomination.

Report of the Committee on Temperance.

Your committee to whom was referred the subject of temperance, present for your consideration the following report:

WHEREAS, the dreadful iniquity of intemperance is an almost omnipresent evil, and like the deadly Upas, endangers all who come within the circle of its pestiferous breath: Therefore,

Resolved, That, as the benefactors of the race, as the uncompromising advocates of moral reform, and as the ministers of the Lord Jesus, we will discountenance by word, and doctrine, and practice, this great crime against God and society.

Resolved, That as we have opportunity—God helping us—we will, "in season and out of season," labor to fasten the conviction of the terrible truthfulness of the Divine declarations and interdictions, "Wo unto him that giveth his neighbor drink. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder." The drunkard shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Report of the Committee on Parsonages.

It is essentially necessary, in order to success in the ministry, and to accomplish the great object contemplated in the Divine commission, that the christian minister be as far removed from worldly care as possible. We believe one great means conducive to this end is to have for himself and family a pleasant and comfortable home. While we rejoice in the growing interest on the part of our people, on some of our charges, in building large and commodious houses, and in beautifying the premises of the parsonages, we believe there yet remains much to be done. There are in the bounds of this conference one hundred and nine charges, including seven Presiding Elder districts, valued at $46,576. We find but seventy parsonages, and many of them poorly adapted to the object of their design—dilapidated, small, and inconvenient, fences going to decay, without fruit or

shrubbery, and no barn, or at best but a mere shed; and often upon those charges where there are no parsonages, houses are furnished unsuited to his position or necessities, and he compelled to endure it or rent upon his own responsibility. We believe his sacrifices sufficient and the trials of his family enough, without this. And in his frequent removals, he is often under the necessity of disposing of his heavy furniture at a discount, or incur an outlay of expense not easily met by his scanty purse. In view of these considerations we submit for your adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That as ministers we will exert ourselves with all diligence to build commodious parsonages where it is practicable, and where it is not, to secure, if possible, a lot to build upon, and we will enlarge or repair such as need.

Resolved, That we will feel ourselves under obligations to leave each parsonage occupied by us at least in as good condition as when we found it.

Resolved, That we will strive to secure unanimity of action, in all our charges, to provide each parsonage with heavy furniture.

Resolved, That we protest against the practice, on some of our charges where there is no parsonage, in providing for our occupancy houses wholly unsuited to our position or comfort.

Education.

Report of the Committee on Education.

As the religion of Christ aims at the developement of every attribute of man, it is plainly impossible for it to accomplish its whole mission, without the aid of what is commonly called the cause of education.

The grand requisite to the advance of all the interests of society is the regeneration of the heart, through faith in Christ, and obedience to the Gospel, with due attention to the laws of physical life, and the highest cultivation of the intellect.

So evident is this, that christianity has not been merely the supporter of, but the originator of every grade of, educational institutions in every land where christianity has exerted its power. As man will be educated, either rightly or wrongly, the character of his education is of the utmost importance, as the character of millions of human beings is being moulded every year by our systems of education.

An education, instinct with the spirit of religion, must control the destinies of even a powerful nation, or the nation must crumble to dust before an indignant public, or prove an intolerable curse. Professed christians, constituting, as we believe they do, a large majority of our nation, and certainly holding a vast preponderance of its moral power, must not, and will not, consent to have our schools for the young missions of impiety, or left destitute of a pure religious element.

Let the educators of our youth know that the eyes of christians are upon them, and that while they labor for the true interest of the young, they have the sympathies and prayers of all good men.

Notwithstanding the liberal provisions made by the State for schools, different churches have deemed it proper to establish schools wholly under their own control, some purely of a literary and scientific, and others of a theological character.

In this great enterprise the Methodist Episcopal Church bears immense responsibility.

The erection and endowing of our seminaries, biblical institutes and colleges, evidence that the church has so viewed the subject, and yet we urge the importance of this subject upon the church. The Michigan Conference has not been behind in this work, as an institution at Albion, now grown to a full college, indicates.

Thousands of young men and women have gone forth from this institution qualified for the multiplied duties of American christians, some to do the work of the christian ministry.

Your committee look upon both branches of education, moral and intellectual, as indispensible to the full developement of manhood and the bringing out of all its good qualities and powers.

Resolved, That, as christian ministers, the cause of education receives our sympathies, and we will exert our utmost influence to promote the interest of this handmaid of religion, in our country.

Resolved, That we deem the education of the moral faculties indispensible to the highest developement of the intellect.

Resolved, That we recommend the election of Rev. J. Jennings to the office of a trustee of the North-Western Univesrity.

Resolved, That we recommend the appointment of Revs. R. C. Crawford and R. Pengelly, as visitors to the Garrett Bib. Institute.

Resolved, That we recommend the appointment of Revs. H. Hall, E. Westlake, and D. Thomas, as visitors to the Female College at Lansing.

Report of the Committee on Albion College.

To the Bishop and Members of Michigan Annual Conference:

Your committee to whom was referred the Albion College, have had the subject under careful advisement, and beg leave to report, that they are happy to learn from the report of the trustees that the institution is still pursuing its accustomed path of usefulness, notwithstanding the excited and exciting condition of the country, and the large draft made by the war upon the young men who formerly sat at the feet of its board of instruction. The institution has been in active operation for more than twenty years, and the young gentlemen and ladies who have received their education and training in its halls are now worthily filling places of honor and trust in all ranks of society. Your committee, however, cannot conceal from themselves, nor would they attempt to conceal from you or the church, that the career of usefulness to which we have pointed with just pride and affection, must soon close unless the sinking financial fortunes of the college are in some way retrieved. While the institution is not embarrassed by debts, it is nevertheless true that the means at the command of the board of trustees will be found insufficient to keep the college in active operation for any great length of time. It would be useless for us to attempt to speculate on the causes which have led to this result and made additional endowment necessary. If errors have been committed in this department in former years, it is answered that we have committed errors in every department of life; but we have not permitted these errors, or even failures, to deter us from new attempts to succeed; least of all ought we to hold the trustees responsible for the fact that the treasury of the institution contains fifty thousand dollars in worthless paper. Your committee, therefore, respectfully suggest whether the time has not fully come for the church to enter upon and complete, if possible, at once the scheme of endowment resolved upon by the friends of the institution and by the conference two years ago.

We submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That H. Rich, Esq., J. B. Crippen, Esq., Rev. M. A. Daugherty, Rev. F. B. Bangs, and Rev. R. Sopp, be appointed a committee, whose duty it shall be to act in conjunction with a similar committee appointed by the Detroit Conference and the board of trustees, in the determination of the question of proceeding at once with the endowment and the method by which it shall be done, and that their action shall be final.

Resolved, That we appoint Rev. T. H. Sinex, D. D., and Rev. L. Chatfield, as a committee on State aid for denominational colleges.

Resolved, That the following persons be appointed visitors to the college for the ensuing conference year: Revs. F. D. Hemenway, R. C. Crawford, E. Westlake, M. B. Camburn, and Jos. Jennings.

Resolved, That we recommend the Bishop to appoint Rev. T. H. Sinex, President, and Rev. C. C. Olds, Professor in the College.

Resolved, That we recommend that A. Billings and Wm. Bort be elected as trustees, to fill the vacancies occasioned by the expiration of the terms of Wm. Bort and Rev. Wm. Farley.

Resolved, That in case either of the persons appointed on committees as above be unable to fill the places assigned them, the board of trustees shall have power to fill the vacancy.

Report of Committee on the State of the Country.

Your committee on the state of the country beg leave to submit the following report:

Our beloved country has become the theatre of the sublimest conflict the world has ever witnessed. A strife so desperate and sanguinary, involving interests so precious and permanent, and employing agencies of destruction so efficient and terrible, has no record in human history. Two distinct civilizations, differing radically in their fundamental principles, in their modes of progress and developement, and in their ultimate aims, are here met in deadly antagonism. The question which would otherwise have been decided by the peaceful progress of truth and christianity, has been by desperate and wicked men submitted to the arbitrament of the sword. That question is, What form of civilization shall be dominant in this country? Shall it be that which comes forth from the old Virginian colony, whose cardinal feature is caste, whose corner stone is human slavery, whose indispensable conditions are popular ignorance and degradation, and whose inevitable tendencies are to barbarism and ruin; or shall it be that *christian* civilization which was planted on Plymouth Rock by those noble men who sought in these western wilds "freedom to worship God?" It is not a question of forms merely, but of substance; not of policy, but of principle; not of territorial extension, but of institutions and national life. Loyalty and Treason—Liberty and Slavery—have met in a death grapple, and the result must be decisive.

As to the form in which this question now comes up for decision, the loyal people of the North have had no option. A resort has been had to treason, and an appeal has been made to arms, and here we must meet the foe.

Hence, though as christian men, we deprecate *all* war, and especially do we deplore such a civil strife as that now raging among us, between peoples bound together by ties of blood and interest and historical associations of the sacredest character—a strife which is filling our land with desolation, our houses with darkness, and our hearts with grief—a strife which has, in repeated instances, literally arrayed brother against brother and father against son,—we still recognize it as the paramount duty of the patriot and christian, a duty to which everything earthly should be made subservient, to support and assist the government in the vigorous prosecution of this war. By unceasing prayer, by loyal and earnest words, by cheerful and patriotic endeavor, by unstinted sacrifice of money and friends, and life itself if need be, let us protect the precious heritage which the God of nations has committed to our trust. In the light of the fearful crisis through which we are now passing, we clearly see that treason is a *capital* crime, bearing in its bosom every other; *and mere indifference in such a time as this must partake of the nature of treason!* The hand that refuses to be raised in defense of our country ought to forget its cunning, and the tongue that refuses to speak and pray in her behalf ought to cleave to the roof of the mouth.

And as christian men, believing in the supremacy of God and the eternity of truth, we rejoice to record our faith that the result of this contest cannot be doubtful. God and liberty, truth and christianity, must be stronger than all the foes that can combine against us. The old systems that grapple with His word must fall.

> "For right is right, since God is God,
> And right the day must win;
> To doubt would be disloyalty,
> To falter would be sin."

As a further expression of our views, we beg leave to submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the one great question addressed to us, as christian citizens, rising sublimely above every other, and involving every other, is that of *unconditional loyalty* to the American government—that in this great struggle between law and anarchy the salvation of the country, under God, depends on this, and hence we would most affectionately urge our people to lay aside all censoriousness, to forget old prejudices and divisions, and

make it their single aim to strengthen the hands of the government in its efforts to suppress this wicked rebellion.

Resolved, That when the President of the United States declares that he will keep steadily in view the salvation of the American Union, and that he will do and forbear just, as in his judgment, will promote that end, he makes a declaration that has our unqualified approbation, and shall receive our cordial and earnest support.

Resolved, That while we recognize the responsibility of the President to decide as to the course of policy that will conduce to the above end, and our own duty to support and execute it as much as in us lies, we still claim the privilege of expressing, in a becoming manner, our own convictions as to the character of that policy; and believing as we do that slavery is the source and soul of the rebellion—that it is that without which it would not have been commenced and could not now be carried on—we do most heartily indorse the proclamation issued by President Lincoln, on the 22d of September, as an advance toward the overthrow of the rebellion, by dealing with its cause.

Resolved, That we assure our brethren who go forth as chaplains in the army, of our continued interest and prayers, and should they fall at their post of duty and danger, their families shall be objects of our special care and attention.

Resolved, That we request all our preachers to prepare a list of such brethren as have gone forth from their respective charges to do service in the armies of the country, stating what may be known of their subsequent history, and to be prepared to present such report at our next annual conference.

F. D. HEMENWAY, *for Committee.*

Obituaries.

Memoir of Rev. Newland Cleveland.

The subject of this brief sketch was comparatively a stranger to this conference. He was a native of Pennsylvania, and resident of Alleghany City, where he was favorably known as a man and minister.

Of his early history we know nothing. Some years since we learned from him some items of interest. When but a lad he experienced religion and joined the M. E. Church. Being impressed with a sense of duty to preach the gospel, he sought (but in vain) the needed mental culture. Failing in this he became discouraged, lost his joy in Christ and his sense of duty.

Subsequently, under the labors of the Wesleyans, he was reclaimed, and induced to commence his labors in the ministry. He continued with that denomination about four years, during which time he was led to perceive the superiorty and efficiency of our church economy, and sought again a home in the church of his early choice.

He sought the woodlands and running brooks of Michigan for his future home and field of labor. He came to us from Rising Sun, Iowa, and was received into this conference when in session at Marshall.

He was appointed to the Wayland charge, where he labored two years with great acceptability and usefulness. His next charge was Berrien.

Being proffered a lieutenantcy in the Twelfth Michigan Regiment of Infantry, he resigned his charge and entered the army to serve his country. In doing so he felt to respond to what he believed his duty. He participated in the memorable battle of Pittsbugh Landing, and performed well his part. The sudden change of climate, together with attendant circumstances, proved too much for him. He fell a victim to typhoid fever, when, in a few short days, he was permitted to remove from labor to rest.

His remains lie in Shilo church yard, Tennessee.

In the decease of brother Cleveland, our country has lost a true patriot, this conference and the church a faithful and successful laborer. He died as he lived—a man full of faith and good works.

He leaves a widow and several children to mourn their loss. We commend them to God and his church.

Memoir of Rev. Samuel A. Osborn.

Rev. Samuel A. Osborn died at Tekonsha, Michigan, May 14th, 1862, aged 46 years.

Brother Osborn was converted at the age of seventeen, commenced preaching at the age of twenty, was received on trial in the Michigan Conference in September, 1845, and appointed to Burlington circuit. After traveling fifteen years, he was again appointed to Burlington circuit, where he retired from labor to rest. Bro. Osborn was a faithful laborer, a successful pastor and preacher, untiring in his diligence, rapid and energetic in his movements, and the interests of the church prospered in his hands. The disease, which ultimately proved fatal, seems to have had a firm hold on his system for several years. Resisting its power, he wrought on vigorously to the end. His last sickness was brief. On Saturday preceding his death, he attended a quarterly meeting on a neighboring charge. Being called

to close the service, he spoke and prayed with unwonted unction and power. Immediately after, while at tea with a friend, he was taken ill. So rapid was the progress of the disease, that on the following Wednesday he obtained his release from service.

During the last months of labor he was evidently ripening for heaven, and when the last hour came he was ready. The closing scene was wonderful for the clearness and vigor of his intellect, and the serene, quiet triumph which pervaded his spirit. With great precision and care he adjusted his business affairs, and then patiently waited his release. The simple word "victory," told the full triumph within. To his weeping wife and children he said, tenderly, "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." Oh! what a legacy of grace to earth's suffering ones.

Thus a true patriot, an earnest, efficient minister, a frank, cordial, open handed friend, a kind, affectionate husband and father, has wrought, through grace, life's problem, and attained its ultimate—eternal life. Glory be to God! This is our hope.

Memoir of Rev. Wm. C. Comfort.

Rev. Wm. C. Comfort, of the Michigan Conference, departed this life June 15, 1862, at Hillsdale, Michigan.

Brother Comfort, in early life, had the advantage of correct religious training. At the age of twenty he was converted, and at once realized his call to the ministry of the word. After holding a license as a local preacher only a short time, he was admitted into the Michigan Conference on trial, and was appointed successively to the following circuits and stations: Romeo, Mt. Clemens, Port Huron, Burlington, Ionia, Talmage. At this point in his ministry, his health failing, he sustained a superannuated relation four years. Partially recovering, impelled by a high sense of duty, he resumed his labors, and was appointed to Paw Paw, Kalamazoo, Coldwater, and Hillsdale; giving, in all, sixteen years of active, efficient labors, and four years of weary superannuation. Brother Comfort, as a man and Christian, was possessed of a high sense of honor; a keen, sensitive, tender conscience, working itself out in a stern, unbending adhesion to his convictions of right and duty. Determining as to what was

right and duty, he went forward to the mark, at whatever cost or hazard to himself. Abiding with his firm adhesion to right, was a deep, ever-growing piety and devotion to the Christian life. As a pastor, he was a man of untiring diligence, of patient, continued toil, tender, sympathizing, faithful. As a preacher, he was of respectable attainments; sound, earnest, evangelical. He ever sought to build on the only sure foundation, and lead his people to do the same. His last sickness was of brief duration. He was taken on Sabbath evening, June 8th, with what proved pneumonia, with typhoid symptoms strongly developed. His constitution having been broken by years of anxious toil, yielded to the assault, and in one short week he *went away* to be with the redeemed forever. His dying hours revealed a scene of great triumph and power. As a clear index to the prevailing thoughts, desires, and purposes of his life, we close these imperfect memoirs with the closing entry of his journal, recorded June 3d, a few days before his last sickness: "I am at home, alone, and have time to read, to think and pray. I have of late thought much of life, its accompaniments, discipline and end—of God's dealings with me in the past, and of the hopes and prospects of the future. I am thankful for being, and the ability to labor, and for the honor of a place in God's service, for wife and children, for apparently opening doors of usefulness—though temporarily under a cloud. I desire to be the instrument of bringing much glory to my Savior, and many souls to His kingdom. If it be His will, I would live and labor long in His earthly heritage; and, while living, I would pre-prepare something to speak for Him, and bless my race when I am gathered to my fathers; and as Hannah prayed for Samuel and David that God would establish his house, so I desire, in humble resignation to the will of God, that all my dear children may love and serve Him too; and before I lay down the pen, that a son or daughter may take it up and use it with skill and power for His glory; before I lay down the gospel trumpet, that a son may take it from my hand and pass it down from father to son until the coming of the Lord in the clouds of heaven. O God, if thou hast by thy spirit caused me to offer this prayer, answer it in thy great mercy, and to thy name shall be all the glory, both now and forever. Amen and Amen." Fitting close of life's record. May the prayer of the departed one have a hearing above, and may his surviving brethren follow him as he followed Christ.

Resolutions.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elder of each District be requested to report, annually, in writing, the state of each of the Parsonages on his charge, and whether they have been properly cared for by the present occupant.

Resolved, That each Pastor raise twenty cents per member on his charge for the relief of the Muskegon Church.

Resolved, That every member and probationer in this Conference now in charge of a circuit, station or mission, be required to bring up a fifth collection.

Rules of Michigan Conference.

1. The Conference shall meet at 8 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12 M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjournment at their discretion.

2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the hour to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journal of the preceding day read and approved.

3. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference, but, in case of an appeal, the question shall be taken without debate.

4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.

5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing if the President, Secretary, or any other member request it.

6. When a motion, resolution, or report presented, is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed as in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover, at any time before decision or amendment.

7. No new motion or resolution shall be made until the one under consideration is disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz.: Indefinite postponement; laying on the table; reference to a committee; postponement to any given time, amendment, or substitute.

8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalties, or disrespectful language, but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, or any other member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

9. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted in the affirmative to move a reconsideration.

12. No member shall absent himself from the services of Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar at the time when such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.

14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.

15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.

16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of Conference, and, when approved, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference, and preserve them with care; suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference except with the consent of the Conference, and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.

17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.

18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of the Conference until he has first given him information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defense.

19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objections are to be made, to the President of the Conference, who shall pass the name by, to be investigated in secret session, at such time as the Conference may direct.

20. All persons while passing the Disciplinary course of study who shall be reported below medium, shall be required to pass another examination on the studies so reported; and the Chairman of Examining Committees shall give notice to the Conference Secretary, and to the deficient party.

Alphabetical List

Of the Members of Conference, with their Post Office Address.

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